Hundreds rally to give blood

By EDDI VENTRESCA

About 360 units of usable blood were collected at the 10th annual blood donor clinic last Thursday, making it the best clinic in Niagara College history.

The numbers were so large that registration ended at 2:30, an hour ahead of schedule. One hundred people were still in line.

"One of the nicest compliments was that some students were most irate with me because they had not been able to give blood," Eugene Maltiais, political science instructor and organizer of the Corpsuckle Cup for the class with the largest percentage of donors, said.

In the morning from 10 to 12, 226 registered. The clinic, originally to be held in Port Colborne, attracted 410 students from a possible 2,544. Twenty students were bused in from E. L. Crossley Secondary School, and the public also donated.

Hamilton Red Cross staff and volunteers from Welland and Port Colborne were on hand registering students, collecting blood and making the donors comfortable.

Jacqueline Robarts, college president who donated blood, said the reason for the record attendance was that the clinic was held in the Simcoe building.

"Students walking through the Simcoe building seeing the clinic say to themselves, 'I may as well give,' " she said.

"Being a registered nurse, I know how important it is to give blood," Miss Robarts said.

John Anderson, area director of blood donor services, said he did not expect such a great turnout.

"Many donors were lost because of medical reasons or commitments that forced them to leave," he said.

The donors registered, were blood typed and put on cots outside the library. Following the donation, lasting 20 minutes, the students were instructed to lie down for six minutes and sit up for four.

Laura Ort, registered nurse at Hamilton General Hospital, said donors should not smoke for an hour after, must leave the band-aid on all day and not take part in any strenuous activity. Those giving for the first time were advised to have something cold to drink from the refreshment stand serving coffee and doughnuts supplied by Niagara Frontier Caterers.

Mother's Pizzeria and Spaghetti House coupons for a four-slice pizza or all-you-can-eat salad bar were given to those who registered.

The blood was taken to the Red Cross unit in Hamilton, where it will be tested and processed, for use in the Niagara peninsula.

Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president blood donors clinic last Thursday. Iris McCutcheon [right], looks on as Kim Steele, first year human assisted at the clinic. (Photo by Ventresca) **relations student, gives blood at the 10th annual**

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May cut college programs due to financial restraints

By MICHAEL PLONER

Continued financial restraints may lead to programs being dropped next year at Niagara College.

Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, said, "We are going to have to look at the possibility of cutting back academic programming next year." Budget cuts were not implemented in academic areas this year because budget trimming in the non-academic areas proved sufficient to keep Niagara on target.

Miss Robarts said concern over cuts and restraints isn't warranted until January, 1979. A new funding mechanism may be implemented in time to give Niagara a 10 per cent increase above last year's government grant.

The new funding mechanism is part of a report made by a special finance committee following a three-year study of the community college funding system. The report originally suggested Niagara receive a $3 million increase but a modified second draft shows Niagara may be able to receive a 10 per cent increase, about $2.5 million.

The committee's final draft should be submitted to the minister of colleges and universities, Bette Stephenson, by Nov. 30. "If the 10 per cent increase is implemented we shouldn't have anything to worry about," Miss Robarts said.

Final figures from last year's budget at Niagara showed a surplus of about $50,000. Miss Robarts said efficiency during this year may lead to a surplus that could help next year.

NO MORE POSSIBLE

Miss Robarts said all cuts possible have been made in non-academic areas. "We must look at the criteria for deciding what to drop, we must consider low enrolment, poor job opportunities and high cost programs," she said.

Courses with low enrolment or courses directed at an already flooded job market will probably be the first ones dropped, Miss Robarts said.

The Toronto Globe and Mail reported some universities and

See "May cut" pg. 16

Union opposes Board proposal; retirement age still up in air

By BETH SWINIMER

Faculty union members oppose any retirement policy proposed by the Board of Governors, according to a letter presented to the board at the Sept. 28 meeting.

The letter, dated Sept. 21, came as a surprise to some members of the board since to date the Ontario Public Service Employees' Union (OPSEU) has not officially been notified as to the exact terms of the proposed policy.

The staff and student affairs committee has recommended to the board that 65 be set as the mandatory retirement age at the college with the ability to grant extensions of service up to the age of 70 on a per diem basis when necessary.

The recommendations are based on a survey of the 21 other community colleges in Ontario. Niagara is one of two provincial colleges which does not have a retirement policy — that is, employees may teach until they decide to retire.

REMAIN TO 1979

If the proposal is adopted, people immediately affected would remain in the college's employ until August, 1979.

Trustee Bud McLaughlin said the union letter was a "bunch of rhetoric" and suggested that instead of relying on letter exchange, discussion should take place between the union and management before any decision is reached.

"If they (the union) are talking about intelligent discussion, then let's have it," Mr. McLaughlin said.

The union letter said the faculty had "overwhelmingly" rejected other proposed retirement policy changes and pointed out that the Ontario legislature and an Ottawa senate committee are already studying pensions and mandatory retirement.

SEEK INJUCTION

The letter also said the faculty should censure the staff and students affairs committee for lack of credibility and that the legal department of OPSEU be instructed to seek a statuatory injunction to prohibit college administration from making "unilateral and arbitrary changes to an existing and established practice."

The lawyers, the letter said, should be instructed to prepare for "appropriate litigation" should the injunction be refused by the courts.

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said the board lawyers have already determined the mandatory retirement policy, if put into effect, would not conflict with the existing union policy.

Staff members were advised as early as June discussions regarding the retirement policy were taking place and were also told that contributions from interested parties would be solicited in September, Miss Robarts said.

The letter asked Miss Robarts to drop her original request for

See "Union" pg. 16

Trustee expresses concern over salary expenditures

Niagara College appears to be in a salary, not an education, business, trustee Bud McLaughlin told the Board of Governors at its Sept. 28 meeting.

He said he was concerned by the high percentage of money used for salaries and salary-related costs, with only 20 per cent of the budget allotted for capital expenditures.

Mr. McLaughlin also said a larger percentage of the budget money should be used for technology and equipment.

His criticism came when the finance and property committee reported at the Sept. 28 meeting that the college had a budget surplus of about $50,000 for the last fiscal year instead of an anticipated deficit.

MAY KEEP IT

It is expected the college will be permitted by the province to retain the surplus and apply it toward the next fiscal year's budget.

Commenting on the surplus, Mr. McLaughlin said: "We are not in a profit-making business."

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said the 81 per cent of salary-related costs allotted in the budget may be high, but without instructors, education has no purpose.

Members of the board also said such costs at Niagara are equal to or lower than most colleges in the province.

The finance and property committee previously reported to the board during the March 23, 1978, meeting that the projected 1977-1978 deficit had been reduced to about $28,000.

The report read, "Although not definite, it is possible the college may end the year in a balanced position."

Tutor tells workshop 7% of Cdns. illiterate

By MARGARET BOYD

Seven per cent of Canadians can't sign their names, read food labels in grocery stores or read street signs, Joan Wilson, co-ordinator of Pelham area tutors, told a literacy workshop held at Niagara College.

She was speaking to the second tutor workshop of the Niagara Regional Literacy Council Sept. 30 and Oct. 1.

Most illiterate people are ashamed of their handicap and manage to hide it, she said.

Prerequisites to attend the workshop were good English skills and a willingness to help another learn to read and write.

The 23 women attending the 10-hour workshop were trained to teach illiterate adults on a one-to-one basis, using the Laubach method, which teaches reading and writing up to a Grade 7 level.

Less than Grade 5 education is considered illiterate by Statistics Canada. In a 1971 census, the Niagara area was the eighth most illiterate area in Canada. Mrs. Wilson said there is a need for students for the Laubach program.

Karen Dahmer and Myra Namaro from Hamilton were the workshop tutor-trainers. The tutoring service associated with the Niagara Regional Literacy Council is volunteer; there is no fee for the students. Students have weekly sessions of 1½ hours with their tutors, Mrs. Wilson said.

The Laubach training books "bring in everything from the beginning," Mrs. Wilson said. The student learns through association and sound-symbol relationships instead of by memory.

STARTED IN THE 20s

Frank C. Laubach, an American missionary in the Philippines, started the Laubach approach in the late 1920s. It is used in 105 countries throughout the world.

Karen said there are many reasons for illiteracy. It is often "the very bright or very slow child that will get left behind because the school system is directed at the child of middle intelligence.

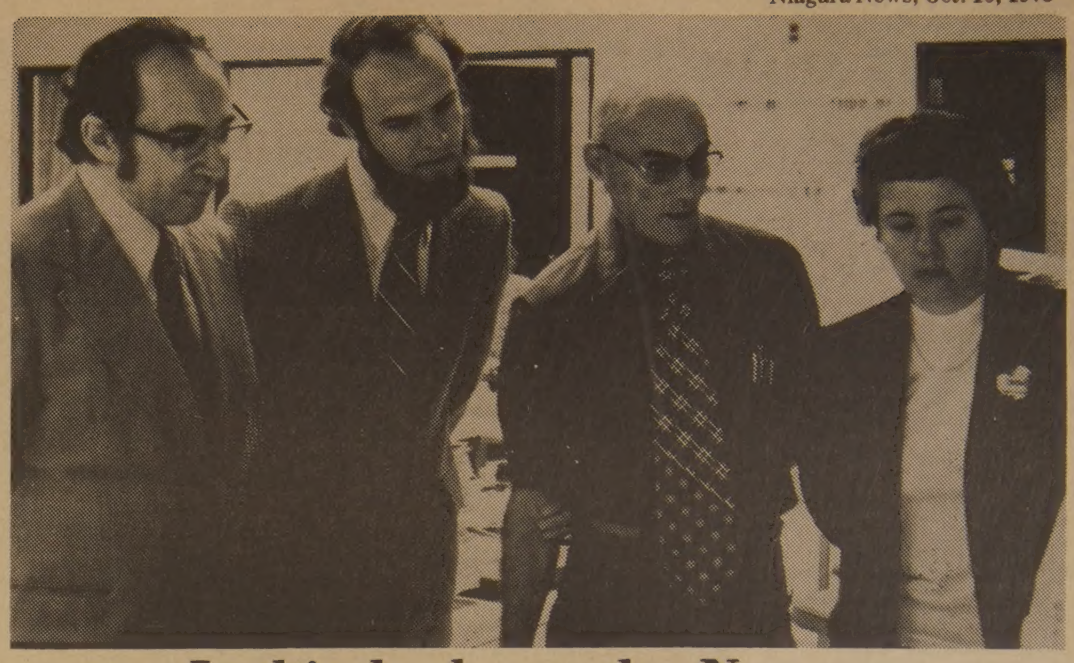
Other causes of illiteracy are a transient society which prevents a child from getting the basics, a bad experience at school, illness or a lack of encouragement at home. A child who gets behind in reading and writing falls further and further behind.

Tutoring is strictly confidential and only the tutor knows the identity of the student, Mrs. Wilson said. There is a small fee for books.

Canadians are reluctant to admit the extent of illiteracy in this country. Mrs. Wilson hoped anyone knowing an illiterate person would explain the tutoring service.

The Niagara Regional Literacy Council, which started in April 1978, is one of 30 councils across Canada. It is a volunteer organization supported by grants and donations.

Anyone wanting to become a tutor or seeking information may call one of these numbers: Mary Lamb, 892-5125 Pelham; Sheila Moore, 688-2353 St. Catharines; Ethel Straw, 835-8540 Port Colborne; June Hodgkins, 735-6377 Welland.



Jackie looks at the News

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, paid her first visit to see the production of the Niagara News last Thursday. Joining Miss Robarts on her tour are, from the left: I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts; Dennis Malone, chairman of communication arts; and journalism co-ordinator Austin Jelbert. Miss Robarts was impressed with the quality and quantity of work necessary to produce the News. (Photo by Smith)

IEEE night a success

Social Night, sponsored by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), was a success, Greg Ostryhon, student chairman, said.

He said 45 people attended the affair. Other meetings will be held on the last Friday of each month from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Tecumseh Centre.

"I urge everyone to come as we offer spirits, wine and beer at reasonable prices, plus free food and music," Greg said.

The social evenings are informal affairs and anyone interested should contact a member of the student IEEE in L8, Lundy building.

Approves larger kitchen

There will soon be more cooks in the kitchen at Welland Vale Centre — but they will be learning the tricks of the trade, not spoiling the broth.

The teaching kitchen will be enlarged to accommodate more students and help satisfy an ever-growing demand of more and more students applying for the course.

The renovations were approved at the Sept. 28 Board of Governors meeting, and include removal of several existing walls, relocation of doors, installation of electrical outlets and gas lines for stoves and the installation of new drain lines and sinks.

Funds for the project, totalling $2,130 for painting and $6,571 for mechanical and electrical modifications, will be made available through a special operating grant.

There are students waiting to take this retraining program, which holds about 30 students at present, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said. The course is unique to the area and operates at a cost of $20 per day per student.

The course teaches cooking techniques for restaurant and boat kitchens.

Co-ordinator signs for spelling course

Hans Miethig, co-ordinator of construction engineering technology at Niagara College, is setting an example for his students. He signed up for the remedial spelling course offered by the English department this term.

Mr. Miethig, born and raised in Germany, moved to Canada in 1956, and did not speak a word of English. "It put me back years," he said.

Employed by the Acres International Consulting Engineers in Niagara Falls from 1956 to 1968, Mr. Miethig was forced to learn the language to keep his job. "I could express myself with a pencil and lines," he said, but needed English to take instructions.

He bought a tape recorder and listened to recordings of his Canadian cousin's voice to learn the words and pronunciation.

"English has no logic," Mr. Miethig said. In Germany, the letter "a", for example, is pronounced the same way in every word it is used in, he said.

Mr. Miethig was hired as an instructor by Niagara College in 1968, and became co-ordinator of the construction engineering course in 1969. His keen interest in the spelling course was developed after a survey for the program evaluation report in which questionnaires revealed what employers and graduates considered the course's strengths and weaknesses to be.

Graduates suggested more instruction in written and oral skills. They realized their weakness in these skills when writing reports in their jobs. Employers said increased communication skills would benefit both graduates and industry. Spelling also needed improvement, Mr. Miethig said.

Mr. Miethig said that talking alone was not enough; an example had to be set. The students are involved with theory of all aspects of construction engineering and, though he stresses drafting as their language, English is also important.

Trying to learn a new language when born and raised in another country can be a real handicap, Mr. Miethig said. But he had no problems adjusting in Canada. "Canadians are the most tolerant people in the world," he said. It was this tolerance, expressed in many ways, that made it so easy for him to stick it out" and learn the ways and the language of Canada.

Mr. Miethig feels he will benefit from the exercises of the remedial spelling course. His dictionary is placed in a convenient place on his desk, within easy reach when he marks his students' papers. He feels that there is some room for improvement of his English, as he still speaks to his students in German "when I get mad."

Memorial scholarship is set up

A new $125 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student registered in a two-year health sciences program at Niagara College.

The money will come from the investment of $1,400 received for the late Dr. Leo Sturgeon Memorial Scholarship Fund. He was a former health director for the Niagara region and chairman of the college Board of Governors at the time of his death, July 27.

Details and guidelines for the scholarship will be established for consideration of the board at a future meeting.

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Heart Foundation's poster child will sell roses for x-ray machine

Buy a rose to help ERT raise $

A young child with suspected heart problems must be diagnosed. But the procedure is very painful.

Niagara's Educational Resource Technician (ERT) students want to help. They will be selling ribbon roses in front of the library tomorrow in an effort to raise money for a new x-ray machine for the Toronto Sick Children's Hospital.

Ryan Coutu, Niagara Falls Heart Foundation's 1978 poster child, will be here from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. helping sell the roses with his aunt, Kathy Murray, second-year ERT, and the rest of the ERT students.

Ryan knows the painful heart diagnosing process called cardiac catheterization — in which dye inserted into the groin is followed to the heart. The method is also dangerous because of the possibiltiy of cardiac arrest.

The new machine the ERT students want to help purchase would x-ray the child's heart from all four sides at once.

The Niagara region goal for the Heart Fund was $210,000. The region came up $40,000 short of the goal. This $40,000 was committed to the Sick Children's Hospital for the purchase of the x-ray machine.

Four-year-old Ryan will be facing a heart operation in the spring if doctors think he's strong enough, Kathy said.

RYAN COUTU

Surgeons will patch a hole between the two pumping chambers and cut out an obstructing muscle underneath the pulmonary valve. Ryan also suffers from deafness.

Ryan is the son of Mrs. Murray's sister, Judy, and her husband, Peter Coutu.

AMEN

The word spoken most often in the world, encompassing any and all languages, is Amen.

Four $50 awards for French feats

The Frenchship Club hopes to double its efforts this year by offering four $50 awards, Marcella Therrien, French instructor said.

The purpose of the club is to encourage students to attend summer French courses and to sponsor field trips. The club began last year.

Award winners in the spring term were Darlene Nelson, fashion arts, and Patrick Tancredi, general business accounting. The awards are given to students who attain superior achievement and effort in a French course, Mme. Therrien said.

The club hopes to take a trip to Quebec this year, perhaps during the winter break. Last year the club went to an exhibit comparing French and French-Canadian cultures, at the CN Tower in Toronto, she said.

NEW EXECUTIVE

The new executive of the 35-member club is: president, Zeb Kasmani, bilingual secretary; vice-president, Garry McAninen, date processing; secretary, Erica Kildow, bilingual secretary; publicity, Lou Manieri, human relations, and treasurer, Michel Lafleure, ambulance and emergency care.

The club also helps students studying in Quebec on bursaries. A bursary is a grant from the Council of Ministers of Education which pays room, board and tuition at a summer school course, Mme. Therrien said. The student has to provide transportation costs and spending money. Bursaries are open to anyone in a college French course.

Erica Kildow, a bilingual secretary student, studied French this summer in L'Apocatier, Que. She received a bursary from the Council of Ministers of Education and the Frenchship club paid her travelling expenses and some spending money. Mme. Therrien said Erica worked diligently in the club last year and in her summer French course. She achieved a commendable standing and was spoken highly of by her teachers.

"She has been a credit to her college," Mme. Therrien said.

Mme. Therrien thinks it's a good idea for a teacher to experience being a student again by taking courses.

"It keeps you in touch," she said.

Mme. Therrien has been at Niagara College since it opened in 1968. She was deputy-chief librarian and started teaching French part-time in 1970. She has taught full-time since 1974.

Hypnosis society threatens Niagara

By PETER EPP

An Ontario hypnosis society threatened Niagara College with legal action if a part-time evening course was taught this fall.

Scheduled to begin Sept. 19, the evening course, entitled "Understanding Hypnotism", was cancelled after Jacqueline Robarts, college president, received a letter from the Ontario Society of Clinical Hypnosis on Sept. 15.

The detailed letter charged that William Le Coq, full-time technology instructor, was not qualified under the Hypnosis Act to teach a course on the subject.

Mr. Le Coq said he was not aware that there was a "ban in Ontario on providing education instruction on any subject".

He has since applied for the license required by the ministry of health and said it should come, if granted, in a few weeks.

BETTER UNDERSTANDING

Mr. Le Coq said the course was not designed to teach students to hypnotize each other but to give them a better understanding of how hypnosis can be used in everyday situations.

Although the course was cancelled, nine students showed up. "They couldn't believe that it was cancelled," Mr. Le Coq said.

The letter from the society stated that the practice of hypnosis is restricted to licensed physicians, psychologists and dentists.

Mr. Le Coq refuted the letter on the basis of Regulation 450 of the Hypnosis Act.

Regulation 450 states that eligibility to teach hypnosis is found on the basis that the person "has practised hypnosis for a period of five years befor the first of January, 1961," and if the person "has earned an average of $2,500 a year from the performance of hypnosis during the five-year period", and if the person does not perform hypnosis for the purpose of providing public entertainment, or in the practice of medicine or of dentistry."

CLAIMS ELIGIBILITY

In a detailed application form sent to the ministry of health, Mr. Le Coq claimed he was eligible on the grounds of Regulation 450.

Mr. Le Coq said he has had 30 years of practical experience in performing hypnosis.

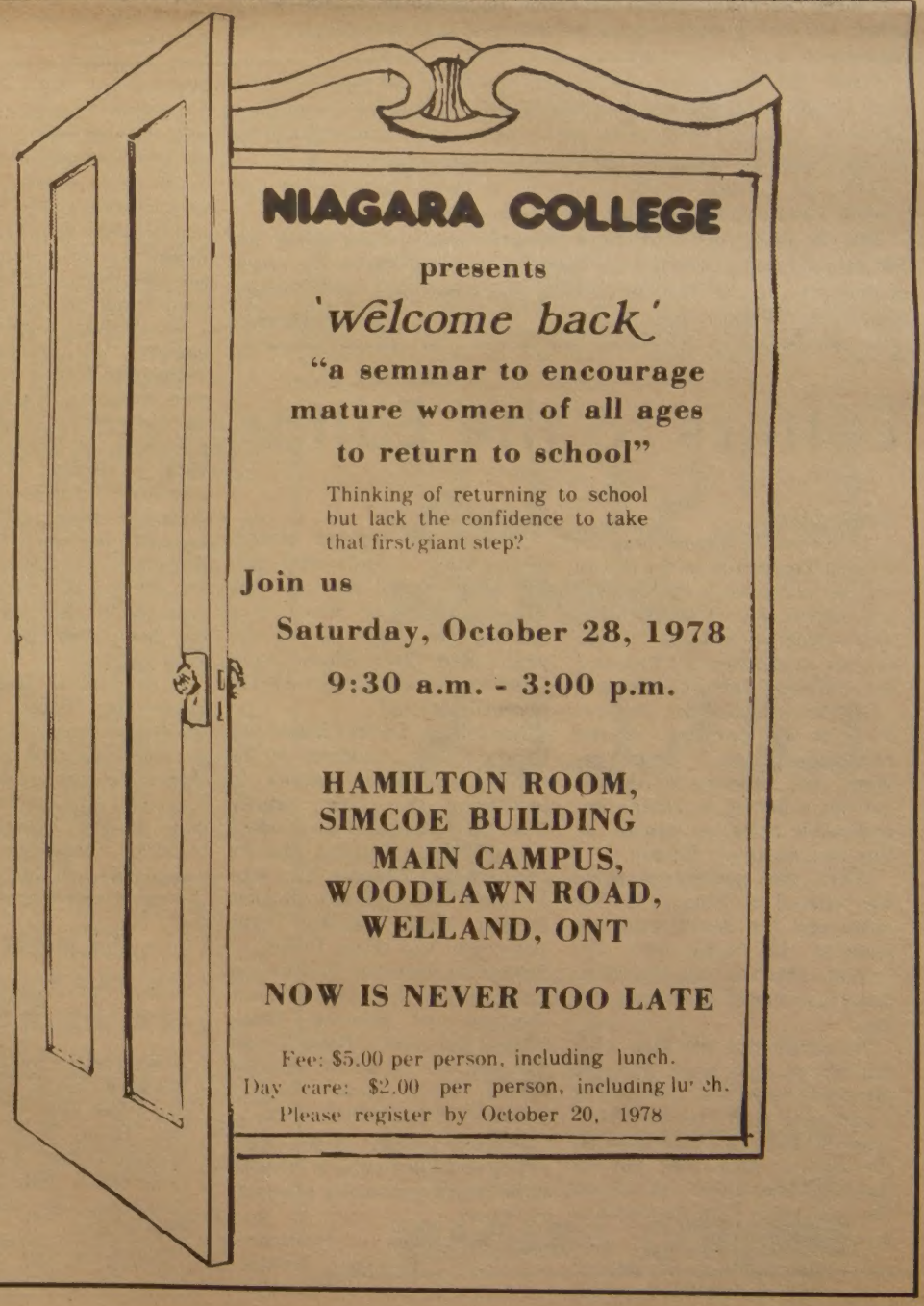
He said he was taught hypnosis at age 16 by his father, Peter Jacobus Le Coq, a certified master hypnotist in the Royal Dutch East Indies Army service in the Netherlands.

Mr. Le Coq said a doctor in St. Catharines knew he was using hypnosis as far back as 1955.

Mr. Le Coq said he has just completed, in manuscript form, a 220-page book entitled "Handbook of Hypnotism". He said Miss Robarts and John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, have read the book and were "quite enthusiastic".

"There is a growing interest in hypnosis," Mr. Le Coq said. "It's an excellent tool to explore psychic development."

Mr. Le Coq said "most people have psychic experiences, but it's one of the subjects that people do not talk about."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Blood — gift of life

Canadians are generous. What other country can offer free blood transfusions to its citizens?

The Canadian Red Cross blood transfusion service has been able to operate since 1947 because of the generosity of the Canadian public. Volunteer donors provide the needed pints of blood, and with the federal government's support for processing, blood transfusions are available to any domicile Canadian free of charge.

If hurt in the United States, a Canadian can receive a transfusion, and the Red Cross makes itself responsible for the replacement.

A human has approximately 12 pints of blood in his body. It takes a very short time for the body to replace a pint. Any healthy person, between the ages of 18 and 65 can donate a pint of blood four times a year without any side effects.

If Canadians want such immediate medical attention to continue, there must be an all-out effort from young and old to keep the blood supply at an adequate level.

The small prick of a needle, a half-hour of lying on a comfortable cot, and sweets to raise the blood sugar is not such a bad experience. And when you walk away with that little red and white card, with sometimes wobbly legs, you can assure yourself that Canadians really are generous.

Pam Righton

"What type are you?" "Sultry."

When is old too old?

Discussion by the Board of Governors about establishing a mandatory retirement age seems to be a purely academic policy that could be wiped out by federal legislation.

The United States' government has already said change is coming in their retirement age policy and it looks as if the Canadian government might adopt a similar policy.

The Ontario legislature and an Ottawa Senate committee are already studying the question of pensions and mandatory retirement.

The new retirement policy, if adopted in the future, would make it impossible for an employee to be fired or laid off solely on the grounds that he or she has reached the age of 65.

Some failing and ailing teachers should be retired at 60 years while others at 70 bring much experience and up-to-date knowledge to the classroom.

Maybe the only guide to retirement should be the capability of a person to do the job he or she was hired to do. In the case of a teacher, capability includes capacity to communicate with students and to keep on top of the changes of our rapidly moving society.

What the college needs, of course, is good teachers and age shouldn't be the golden rule used in defining a "good teacher."

The axe should not be dropped indiscriminately at the age of 65. But may we students be forever spared classrooms that always smell of liniment and the sight of rocking chairs complete with knitted comforters and house slippers.

Beth Swinimer

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Thank you for the coverage of various happenings in the School of Health Sciences in the October 2nd edition. May I clarify some facts which were stated in your articles on the Dental Clinic and the additional staff in the School?

The fee schedule for the services to be provided in the restorative clinic is under review, and, although we do not anticipate having to charge unreasonable rates, we cannot, at this date, quote any figures.

When the restorative clinic was offered at Niagara a few years ago, the dental assistant students did work with the dentist. This was considered an important aspect of their training.

To clarify the situation with regards to new staff. We are pleased to have Mrs. Tomczuk as a part-time staff member. Mrs. Lacey's responsibilities focus on the clinical work, but not on teaching. Miss Bowler is only on the Continuing Education staff as a part-time teacher.

Bob Baddeley, Chairman,
Allied Health Programs.

Dear Editor

I wish to express sincere appreciation to the second year journalism class for the professional way in which they handled the reporting of the year's Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic and the competition for the "Corpsuckle Cup".

In addition, I would like to pay tribute to other students at the college who also assisted in publicizing the clinic, namely Rosanne Garisto and the Student Administration Council, Marsha Charlebois of Graphic Arts who designed the posters, Laurie Favaro, Marie Rizzuto, Diane Patterson and Kim Bailey of Education Resource Technicians Program for the bulletin board displays and printing, Bruce Siddall and crew of Radio TV for the spot ads on CKNC and the whole first year Human Relations class for their work.

Niagara College shows itself willing and able to play a full role in the larger community of which it is a part.

Sincerely,
Eugene L. Maltais,
Instructor.

PROFILE

New vice-chairman versatile

By CHERYL GARD

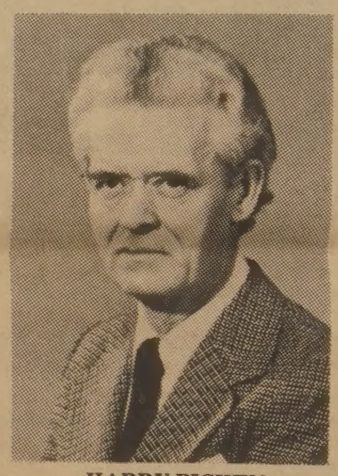
Like Benjamin Franklin, Harry Picken, newly appointed vice-chairman of the Board of Governors, is interested in everything.

Mr. Picken, who has modelled his life after the famous inventor and philosopher, tries to be orignial in whatever he does. This characteristic has been evident throughout his life.

Born in Grimsby and raised in Winona, Mr. Picken attended the Hamilton Technical Institute before going on to the University of Michigan for his degree in aeronautical engineering. While at university, Mr. Picken, an accomplished musician who formed his own dance band at age 16, played "the big sound" in parades and orchestras.

Mr. Picken worked as chief engineer at several aviation companies before founding his own company, Genaire Ltd. of St. Catharines, of which he is president and chief engineer, in 1961. A member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Aviation since 1935 and an associate fellow of the Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute, Mr. Picken has done extensive research in his chosen field and has been nominted for Who's Who this year.

A resident of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Mr. Picken is actively involved in community affairs, as an award-covered wall readily shows. He was president of the Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Planning Board, building inspector and was named citizen of the year in 1968.



HARRY PICKEN

Mr. Picken also served on the advisory boards of Niagara District Secondary School and Niagara College before being appointed to the Board of Governors in 1975.

"I've never stopped," he said with a grin.

Mr. Picken and his wife, Betty, collect antiques, which fill the rooms of their charming, Georgian style home on Front Street. They buy them at furniture sales and refinish them themselves.

Mr. Picken's fondness for books is reflected throughout the house. Shelves and cabinets filled with books on a variety of subjects dominate the living room. Another cabinet in the hall contains books written by or about the Picken family and another room contains nothing but paperbacks.

Mr. Picken is also interested in photography and specializes in portraits. Examples of his work, mostly portraits of his family, hang on the living room walls.

But music remains one of his first loves. A baby grand piano and an electric organ stand at opposite ends of the living room and Mr. Picken keeps in practice for the local club engagements he still plays.

A composer as well as a musician, Mr. Picken has one record out called Live From Studio One and is working on a second. The record takes its name from a radio program which Mr. Picken did on CHSC from 1968 to 1974 and expects to resume in the near future.

Their son, Roger, 29, is a real estate broker and is married with two children. Another son, Donald, 22, works for Fleet Aircraft, and Wendy, 17, is a Grade 12 student who wants to be an accountant.

Mr. Picken replaces Eleanor Lancaster as vice-chairman of the Board. He is looking forward to his new position and hopes to "assist the president in every way I can."

"I'm a great believer in close contact with the people on the board."

Mr. Picken, who will continue as chairman of finance, said he foresees a very difficult financial period for the college in the next few years because of declining enrolment but he will see to it that tax dollars are not wasted.

Reflecting on his past accomplishments and those to come, Mr. Picken quoted a NASA space program motto which he has adopted as his own: "Nothing is impossible except in men's minds."

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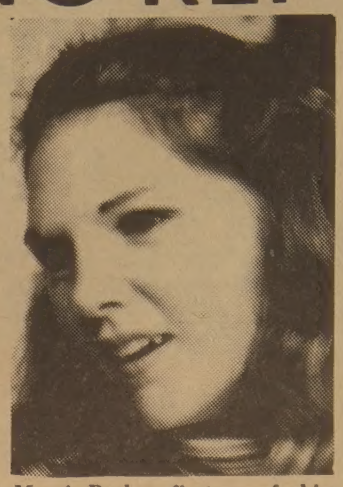
ROVING REPORTER

Roving Reporter asked students if they thought giving blood Oct. 12 was important, and whether they were going to donate.

By EDDI VENTRESCA and MICHAEL PLONER

Bruce Siddall, second year radio and television: I'm going to give it. It think it's a good idea becasue I may need it some day. I hope people think the same way I do.



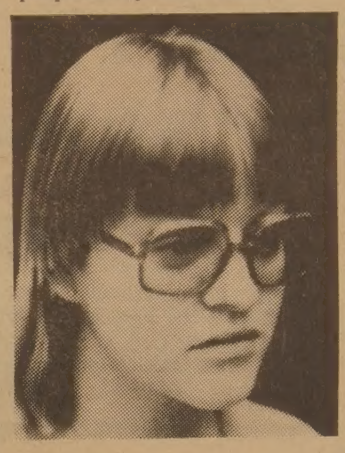
Marcia Becker, first year fashion arts: I don't think I will be giving blood but I've thought about it. I think it is important because people always need blood.

Karen Lodboa, first year general business: I've never given blood because I just turned eighteen. I've never thought about giving it but I think it's very important.

Maria Scripa, second year human relations: I'm not giving blood becasue I'm anemic. I definitely think it is important because I was in the hospital and needed a blood transfusion.

Phyllis Booker, first year dental assistant: I've given blood twice before in Hamilton and I can't give it until Oct. 31. I will give it again for sure.

Bob Drayson, first year radio and television: Yes, I think so. It's a good cause.



Carol Ploner, second year business administration: I would give it. Everybody should give blood because there's too many people who need it.

Joanne Moreau, first year business administration: I probably will since my mother is involved in it in the human relations course.

Suzanne DeJong, first year journalism: I could but I'm petrified of needles. Besides that I have to drive home and I might faint on the way.

Al Nairismagi, third year electronic technology: I probably will. If I was lying on the table dying because I needed blood, I'd think about the times I didn't give.

Students beware, Niagara has phantoms

That improperly parked Mini pictured in the last edition of the News was not really parked that way.

Members of a new phantom club, known as the Four-F club, actually lifted the car and put it crosswise in its parking slot.

A club spokesman said the five-member club is dedicated to pulling harmless practical jokes on campus.

He said to "watch out for them in the near future."

OOOPS

A gremlin in the Niagara News typesetting room made off with a key word from the last issue.

Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, was quoted as saying she hopes "Premier Davis will support" a proposed government sponsored hotel school.

The word **"not"** was dropped from the sentence. Miss Robarts said she hopes "Premier Davis will **not** support" the hotel school because of his commitment to the community college system.

Letters to the Editor

Atlas' 50th a success

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, on behalf of the college, for the outstanding co-operation they displayed at the recent Atlas Steels' 50th Anniversary celebration. Our college provided the setting for the meeting of approximately 400 guests in Manera Court and later in the college cafeteria.

College officials planned the function so that there would be little or no inconvenience to our students and where student co-operation was required, I am pleased to say, it was excellent.

Our visitors, who represented a large cross-section of business and industry, were also very favorably impressed, as were officials of Atlas Steels and many took the time to make us aware of it.

Thank you, students, your support made it all possible.

Yours very truly,
A. S. Aboud,
Director of Student Services

BULLPIT

Lots of slim people found at Niagara College

By JOE WALLACE

There must be a lot of people around here who are skinny.

The weigh-in period for the Pounds for Canada Lottery had to be extended until the end of October because of a slow response from students, overweight or not.

A poll conducted for Weekend Magazine established that 48 per cent of Canadians are overweight.

Twenty-eight per cent of people in the 18 to 24 age group are overweight. Estimating the college population to be almost 2,500 between those ages suggests that there are at least 600 persons here at least 12 pounds overweight.

To enter the Pounds for Canada Lottery, you have to be at least 10 pounds overweight.

By the middle of last week, only 12 entrants had weighed in. Twelve out of 600 is an awfully poor showing.

Students not overweight are also given the opportunity to enter the contest. They can sponsor an overweight friend, or take a guess at the actual weight lost by all.

The split in the pot is fair, one-eighth for the one name chosen for losing weight and one-eighth for the guess closest to the actual pounds lost. The remaining three-quarters goes to the very worthwhile Celebrate Canada cause.

The real point in the whole contest is to help people take off extra weight, because it is for their benefit, and to do a good turn by helping out the Festival.

If people are embarrassed about entering such a contest, they should not be. Think of the college president and the dean of applied arts, two of the most prominent people at the college. Their names were splashed on the front page of the paper, indicating that they had already weighed in.

The weigh-ins are kept in strict confidence so there is really nothing to feel embarrassed about.

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NIAGARA COLLEGE

B. of G. News Briefs

R. D.Campbell, School of Applied Science and Technology, was elected president of the Northern Nut Growers Association (NNGA) in August, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, reported at the Sept. 28 Board of Governors meeting.

NNGA is an international organization active in promoting research and development in horticulture in northern climates. The membership is more than 1,300.

A new life sciences lab to be used by students from a number of allied health programs for their biological sciences courses, has been added to the college.

The room was previously H19 before conversion to a lab, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, reported to the Board of Governors.

The new patient care lab in H20 forms the centre of activity for the ambulance students as well as providing a suitable space for other groups requiring this type of instructional space.

Space adjustments to the Resource Centre at Niagara College have improved the utilization of space, Jacqueline Robarts reported to the Board of Governors.

The usual beginning-of-term congestion of the reference area was greatly reduced as a result of the new enlarged study area.

Books bought in the United States and sold at Niagara College book store have increased in price at least 10 per cent over last September as the result of exchange alone, Jacqueline Robarts reported to the Board of Governors.

Pricing policies have not changed even though the store's operating costs have increased.

Revenue in excess of $560,000 was received through this year's registration, Jacqueline Robarts reported to the Board of Governors meeting.

First term of business administration may be offered during evening hours beginning in January, Jacqueline Robarts reported to the Board of Governors.

Students who successfully complete the work of the first term during evening studies would then be accommodated in the second term during the May and June period.

These students would be drawn from secondary schools having a January graduating class, Miss Robarts said.

A human relations course, H-PY-102, has been redesigned by the psychology department at Niagara College. It is a highly-structured course which is expected to be much more effective in developing inter-personal and career communications skills among the students, Jacqueline Robarts reported to the Board of Governors.

Hort queen says 'hi'

Margaret Kenny, first runner-up to the Grape and Wine Festival Queen, greeted the crowd on behalf of the horticulture department of Niagara College during the Grape Festival parade.

photo by Barnatt

Ian Thomas band pleased crowd of 500 at Pub Oct. 11

The music was loud, the beer was cold and talk flowed freely during the Oct. 11 Pub Night which featured the Ian Thomas band from Toronto.

The five-member band, consisting of David Cooper on guitar, Steven Hogg on bass, Michael Oberle on keyboards, Hugh Syme on drums and Ian Thomas on piano and guitar, played various styles of rock from light music with the emphasis on keyboards, to hard music with guitar and bass.

The songs were selected from their two albums and a new album was due to be released in January. The crowd of more than 500 people applauded in recognition of the openings of different songs, and as the band played on, it was obvious a large number of people were in tune with the music.

The band received so much applause that they played a 10-minute encore following their two-hour concert. The concert itself was divided into two parts, each one hour in length, and the show didn't start until 9:15.

Brian Patterson, SAC's vice president of internal affairs, said more pubs with good groups will follow becasue Niagara has "a good name."

Money-raising concert Dec. 3 for $125,000 heart machine

Three bands will perform at the Skylon Tower, Niagara Falls, Dec. 3, as part of a fund-raising campaign committed to raising $40,000, part of the cost of a diagnostic heart machine for use at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.

Concerned Citizens to Help a Child's Heart Beat got its start in August following an investigation into the facilities and needs of Sick Children's Hospital by Wendy Walpole, a Fort Erie mother, whose three-year-old son is scheduled to undergo open-heart surgery in October.

Scott, suffering from multiple congenital heart defects, was born with two main heart arteries transposed, two holes in his heart and a constricted pulmonary artery.

Surgery would usually be scheduled when he was five years old, stronger and more able to withstand the four to five-hour operation, but on his last visit to the hospital it was determined they could wait no longer. Surgery is scheduled for Oct. 25.

CONDITION CRITICAL

Scott's condition is considered critical and doctors have determined that without surgery, his heart would start giving out in six or seven months.

The machine, costing $125,000, would spare Scott and 200 other children in the Niagara peninsula the pain of catheterization, a process involving an incision in the groin area or in the arm through which a catheter or rubber tube carrying dye is fed into the heart area, revealing defects.

Even though the child is anesthetized, he may suffer as long as a week after the procedure.

The machine, harmless and painless, monitors a patient's condition before and after open-heart surgery with an ultrasonograph, which outlines various structures within the heart.

DETERMINES DEFECTS

The three dimensional echocardiogram machine allows the entire heart to be viewed. Heart defects in children can be more accurately determined and more precision in studying post-operative functions of the heart will be possible.

Sick Children's Hospital has such a machine but it is limited in its scope allowing for misinterpretation and missed problems.

The hospital is putting up $85,000 if the committee of 122 can raise $40,000 publicly and the equipment is ordered based on the committee's promise to have the money by March, 1979.

Chelsea Hotel, Fort Erie, The Road, Buffalo and a Toronto band will perform in the concert, Sky Jam, beginning at 6 p.m. The admission is $4.50 and T-shirts will be sold. All proceeds will go to the committee.

The concert was arranged by Pam Walker, third year business adminisration.

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Editor of the first edition of the Niagara News this year, Eddi Ventresca, places herself high upon the pedestal pondering life and other earth-shattering events. The purpose of this large piece of concrete in front of the Simcoe building has stumped many people, including I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, who sees it when he looks out his window. The Niagara News has found the answer.

(Photo by Wallace)

Simcoe pedestal puzzles people

By JOE WALLACE

Look...out in front of the Simcoe building...it's a deformed hydro pole...the contractor had some extra concrete and couldn't decide what to do with it...What is it?

It just sits there. A large piece of concrete on the grass near the entrance to the Simcoe building. It looks as if a cement layer went crazy with his trowel and carved his own sculpture.

Leading up to it are little concrete discs. It looks as if a drunk elephant was trying to do a tightrope walk after stepping through wet concrete.

John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, is stumped. He wanted to put a bronze statue on it but it cost too much.

Someone solved that idea for him and put a toilet on it a few years back, he says.

So, what is it supposed to be used for?

Edward Russell of Gerencser and Russel architects, Welland, designed the building and he said, "It's a little podium."

It's supposed to be used for outside teaching. The teacher is supposed to lecture from the concrete cylinder and the grass around it is landscaped so the students can sit around and take notes.

New policy on posters developing

The college management committee is developing a policy on posters on campus.

There has been a problem with bulletin boards that are consistently cluttered with dated items. Often the boards have been jammed to the point that there is little room for Student Administrative Council or club notices.

A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said he couldn't outline the poster approval procedure until the policy has been finalized by the committee. He did indicate that the problem is not so much the undesirability of the posters and notices, but more with the sheer quantity of them.

"School concerns would definitely take priority over outside commercial advertising," he said.

Parking for handicapped decreased

Parking spaces for the physically handicapped and the temporarily disabled have been cut in half, Jack Spittle, manager of plant and property, said.

The reserved spaces were reduced from 12 to six because many of the "so-called disabled" at the college are not handicapped at all, Mr. Spittle said.

"We increase and decrease the number of spaces to meet the need, but not so we can have the privilege abused."

Mr. Spittle said the spaces are used by those on crutches and in wheelchairs who need to be close to a college entrance.

Annual bus tour Ottawa Nov. 2-4

John Diefenbaker will be the man to see on the Liberal Studies third annual bus tour to Ottawa Nov. 2 to 4.

Eugene Maltais, political science instructor and one of the chaperones on the tour, said Mr. Diefenbaker has agreed to meet with 25 students and the two instructors in his office Thursday, Nov. 2 at 9 a.m. Bruce Milligan, co-ordinator of law and security administration, will also attend.

There is room for 46 students on the bus, Mr. Maltais said, with liberal studies students receiving first priority. Cost of the trip is about $50, including bus fare, two nights at the Sheraton-Marquis Hotel, and meals. Students are responsible for their own spending money and — should there be any — incidental injuries.

Activities in Ottawa will include a session in the House of Commons, a tour of the Parliamentary Library, a reception for MPs, tours of various attractions such as the War Museum, the National Gallery and the Supreme Court, a bus tour of Ottawa and Hull, free time for shopping, and a performance at the National Arts Centre.

Mr. Maltais said Grease was playing at the National Arts Centre and is looking for alternative entertainment.

The tour gives students a first-hand look at Canadian democratic government at the national level of both people and institutions, an introduction to the bi-national nature of the country, and fosters "that ol' College Spirit" among the students to participate, Mr. Maltais said.

More information on the tour will be posted on the bulletin board outside the journalism office in the Simcoe building.

Disco fever strikes the college nightly

A fever is going around and it's at Niagara College — disco fever, that is.

Disco lessons, offered in Welland and St. Catharines by the college, have attracted more than 180 people from the community.

Classes for the fall term are on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the Hennepin Hall, and Thursday 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the cafeteria.

Roland Proulx from Rolaire Academy of Dance Arts is the instructor and has just returned from San Francisco with the latest disco steps.

At the Mack Centre, St. Catharines, classes are held from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Monday and Friday. The instructor is Theresa Pizzo from Charlie Chan's, St. Catharines.

FEE IS $13

The fee is $13 for six weeks. Each class has 30 people and there is a waiting list of 77, Judy Ventresca, secretary of community education, said.

Ten classes will be offered in Welland in the winter term for eight weeks, Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 7 to 8 p.m. and 8:15 to 9;15 p.m., and Saturday, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m.

In St. Catharines, classes will be on Monday and Friday, 7 to 8 p.m. and 8:15 to 9:15 p.m.

With 20 per class "we should be able to accommodate almost 300 people for disco," Mrs. Ventresca said.

The instructors are tentatively the same for the winter term.

ADVERTISING STAFF

Second year fashion arts students are the advertising staff of the Niagara News, selling and making up all adds as practical projects in a fashion arts merchandising course. Students are graded on the ads they produce.

Children's theatre now major study

Children's theatre as a major course of study is being offered to second year theatre arts students for the first time this year, John Rapsey, theatre arts co-ordinator, said.

Previously offered as a supplementary course, children's theatre is being made a major course so students can have an extra talent before they go out looking for jobs, Norah Morgan, course instructor, said. The expanding of the course was her idea.

Students often get their first chance at stage management with theatre and education companies which perform in schools, she said. Students who know something about children's theatre have an advantage.

The course has been expanded from four to nine hours a week. There is much more opportunity for performances, Mrs. Morgan said.

Students have a chance to practice basic mime and will give a performance at a local school. Other areas of theatre explored this term by the students include story telling, involvement theatre in which children build the play around the actors, story theatre, puppets, participation theatre and straight theatre.

Next term the students will learn documentary theatre and decision theatre which focuses on a social issue of the day and asks the audience what they would do.

The expanded course, experimental this year, is exciting and is working out well, Mrs. Morgan said.

"I think it's going to be great," she said. "It's a learning experience for the students, the children and me."

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SAC Executive

This year's Student Administrative Council welcomes suggestions from Niagara students. Front row, from left: Vice-president finance Diana Lostracco, Club convener Gail Caperchione, vice-president external affairs Rosanne Garisto, secretary Debbie Coplen. Back row, from left: vice-president athletics Gary Gizzie, president Jeff Adamson, executive vice-president Barb DaCosta, vice-president internal affairs Brian Patterson. (Photo by Smith)

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More drop-outs than last year

The drop-out rate at Niagara College was 27 per cent higher this September than at the same time last year.

John Parrett, college registrar, said 87 people withdrew from programs in September, compared with 65 a year ago.

Mr. Parrett said the people dropped out to take jobs, get married, or found the program just wasn't what they expected, he said.

He said the reason for the increase is probably due to the increased student population.

Last year 119 students withdrew from programs, during the first three months.

RTV student stars on Welland stage

By JUDY SUGA

It's a long way to Greenwich Village, but Gary Sullivan is there five nights a week.

Gary, 23, is playing the male lead ofDon Baker, a blind young New Yorker, in Butterflies are Free, a Welland dinner theatre production.

The second-year radio and television student said the cast rehearses five nights a week for at least three hours, and most of Sunday.

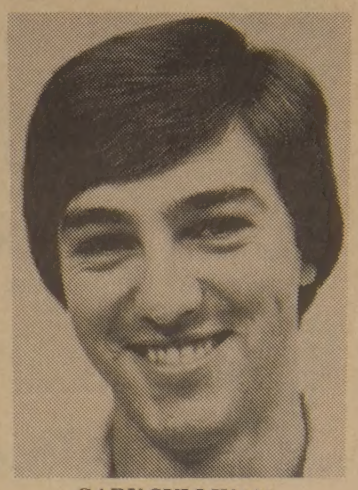
"I live for the play, sleep, food, and school, in that order," he said.

Butterflies are Free was to play at the Hind Quarter Steak House last Friday and Saturday nights and next weekend, Oct. 20 and 21. Although initial plans were for 40 tickets per night, 48 were sold by last week "because of popular demand."

Gary found out about the play from friends. He was unable to attend auditions because he was leaving for a British Columbia vacation, so he had a special audition. Because of this, he has "no idea what the competition was like."

He was not interested in theatre until he played in summer stock theatre in his home town of Toronto a few years ago. He took a jazz keep-fit course because he was "working in an office and getting heavy", and he met some actors in the class who recommended him as a dancer to their stage manager.

Gary said the play, put on by Welland Little Theatre, is about a blind man in his eary 20s, living on his own for the first time, who is "very independent but insecure." His girlfriend, played by Joyce Caveen, lives in the apartment next to his, and was married at 16.



GARY SULLIVAN

"We had trouble casting a female lead," he said, because not only must she be slim and in her early 20s, but she has to do a scene with Gary clad only in underwear. He calls himself "Mr. Briefs," but stressed the underwear is "theatrical, so there still is something under it."

Gary said his director, Tom Barto, was "fantastic."

"I'm not an actor. He made me act. He screamed the character out of me."

Gary is taking vocal lessons, has learned to "strum a guitar and make some noise", and has auditioned for a part in the Port Colborne Operatic Society's production of Oklahoma. He also runs a disc jockey service for parties, weddings and banquets.

He wants to continue in the theatre, and when finished school wants to do radio or television on-the-air work. He has more immediate plans, however.

"First of all, I have to catch up on unfinished schoolwork. Then I'll have time for everything else."

Citizens, officials asked on art board

Nine people — five from Niagara College — have been asked to serve on the Art Gallery Board to administer the Niagara College Art Gallery.

They are Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president; H. B. Picken, vice-chairman, Board of Governors; I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts; Tom Fraser, School of Applied Science and Technology faculty; Ken Cosgrove, School of Applied Arts faculty; W. Cyopik, professional artist; Dr. S. V. Railton, MP for Welland riding; Robert Saracino, mayor of Port Colborne, and A. V. Orr, general manager of Atlas Steels.

Mr. Giancarlo said it is hoped the gallery will be not "only a college gallery, but a community art gallery."

Mr. Fraser said the gallery is expected to open in January in the old registrar's office in Hennepin Hall.

It is expected to include paintings, prints and sculpture.

The gallery will be open to the public on evenings and weekends.

Mr. Giancarlo has asked for the college lawyer's advice to incorporate the gallery board into a community art board.

Fort Erie, Port Colborne busing possible in Jan.

Bus service from Niagara College to Port Colborne and Fort Erie is a possibility for next term if enough students express interest, Jean Vandenbelt, student services secreatary, said.

Letters were sent to the more than 200 students who live in the Port Colborne and Fort Erie areas asking interested students to notify the college by Nov. 3 if they would like a bus service.

"This is to see if there's enough interest," Mrs. Vandenbelt said.

The proposed service would start in January and would make three or four stops. The bus would pick up students from Ridgeway, Crystal Beach and Sherkston as well as Fort Erie and Port Colborne.

While the student services office had requests other years for bus service to this area, the present mailing is the result of a student's suggestion that a bus go over the whole area, Mrs. Vandenbelt said.

She invited any interested students who were missed by the mailing to notify the student services office.

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Cassidy directs drum corps plays xylophone in marches

By RON HOLLA

The world of parades — cheering crowds, marching feet, the blast of horns and hours spent under the hot summer sun — seems very different from the atmosphere of Niagara College. But not for one teacher at Niagara.

John Cassidy, co-ordinator of business data processing, is a director and xylophone player for the Niagara peninsula's only surviving senior drum corps — the Niagara Regionnaires. It is a year-long commitment which calls for rehearsal every Sunday during the winter, and drilling and parades during the summer.

Although he has only been involved with the Niagara Regionnaires since 1975, Mr. Cassidy has spent many years with drum corps. When he was 16 he joined the Merritton Grenadiers. In the following six years he marched with the Grenadiers and a corps in Port Dalhousie before he left marching in 1963.

"My son was getting old enough," he said. "I thought it would be a good thing for him, too."

Both father and son now play in the Regionnaires and Mr. Cassidy said it made him feel "like Gordie Howe."

The Regionnaires, based in St Catharines, is a drum corps with a difference, it features all Spanish music. Playing since 1975, it is called a senior corps because it has players more than 21 years of age.

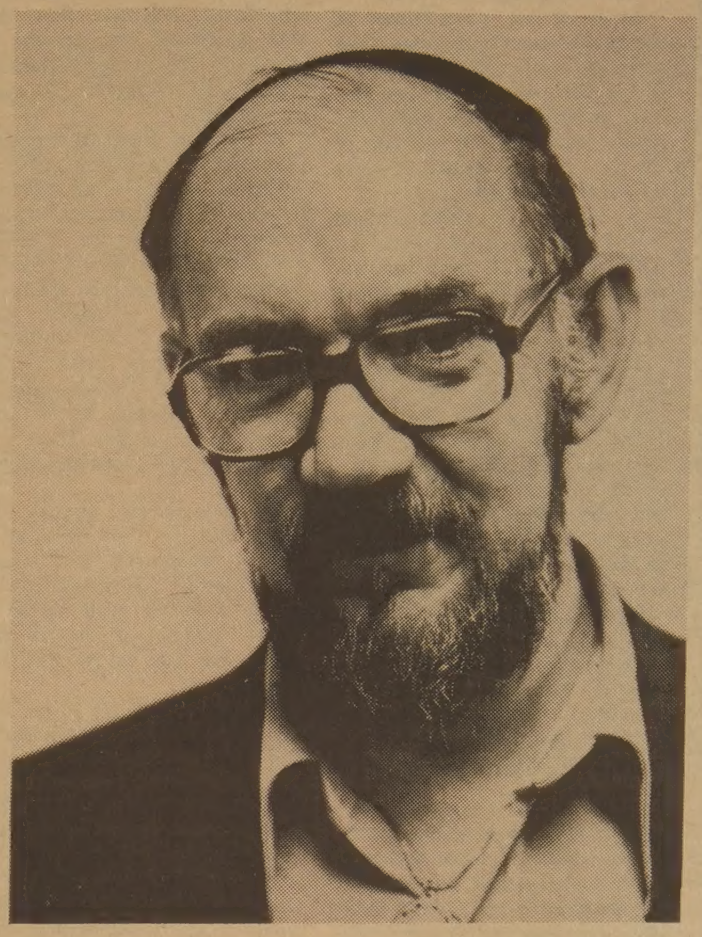
The corps, which has been appearing in parades since 1975, made its first appearance on marching fields this year. The Regionnaires, although they finished last in every event, got better every show, Mr. Cassidy said.

Mr. Cassidy said the idea of playing Spanish music came from a Hawthroen, N.J., corps which had a lot of success playing Spanish music. He thought the idea would catch on in Canada, too, and the corps would not encounter other bands playing the same music.

To complement their music, they adopted Latin American uniforms called caballeros.

The Folk Arts Council agreed to give them a grant to help pay a Spanish music instructor provided the corps played a minimum of 50 per cent Spanish music.

He said this was a good indication they were improving and hoped they could start off this year where they left off last.



JOHN CASSIDY

"On our first show July 15 we got 30 out of 100 points, we ended up the year with 43.85 points."

"It is a bloodbath the first year — very difficult for you," he said. "This is to find out whether you're going to stick it out."

The corps' goal is to move into the top three of the Red Carpet Association, an association of corps from Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania and New York, by 1979, and to win by 1980.

Training for the year begins with three hours of rehearsal a week in winter. By spring, the corps spends six to nine hours a week and once the marching fields are firm, total time a week spent on drills amounts to 25 hours.

The actual marching season begins the first weekend of July and ends the second last weekend of August. Mr. Cassidy said the corps does not get one weekend off during the season, and everyone in the corps has to be there.

To Mr. Cassidy, the drum corps is more than just marching and playing. it stresses the family and is "a good social club" because everyone has something in common.

The Regionnaires are always looking for people and Mr. Cassidy said commitment, not experience, is important.

Describing his own feelings about being in a drum corps, Mr. Cassidy said, "I love it. It's like something that gets in your blood."

'Up Your Grammar' tapes go nationwide

Niagara College's videotape productions of "Up Your Grammar" have finally gone nationwide.

The new addition to the users list is Vancouver Community College. Former Niagara college president Anthony Manera, president of the Vancouver college, requested the tapes for use in a first year English and remedial classes.

The five-program series, written by Brian Green and Paul Davoud two years ago, and produced entirely by Niagara College faculty and students, is designed to help students strengthen grammar points. "It's somewhat like a Sesame Street for college students," Mr. Green said.

Previous sales have been in Ontario and throughout the East mainly to colleges and the University of New Brunswick.

Mr. Green, on sabbatical, is working on scripts for a sequel dealing with employment and finding jobs. Interest in the project has been expressed by the federal department of employment and immigration. Efforts to obtain funding and technical aid from the department for film production are being made. Film has a wider distribution market as many schools are not equipped with videotape facilities. Sales to the Niagara South Board of Education were limited by this.

Production is tentatively scheduled for February, 1979.

MID-TERM ASSESSMENTS

All students will be given mid-term assessments on their progress by co-ordinators and instructors during the last week of October. The assessments are designed to let students know how well they are doing at this stage of the term and whether improvement is needed to pass at Christmas.

Produce comedies

The Niagara College Theatre Centre is presenting three one-act plays from Wednesday to Saturday evenings this week. Admission will be free.

The plays are entirely student productions directed by the program co-ordinator, John Rapsey.

Students are handling set design, lighting, sound, make-up and costumes.

Passacaglia, or Love in the 70's, is set in an old age home with the main character an elderly woman trying to deal with aging.

The second, Babel Rap or Knock, Knock, Knocking on Heaven's Door, is a light comedy of two men who decide to build a tower to get to heaven without dying first. Special effects are the construction of the tower and lighting.

The third, Out at Sea or Guess Who's Going to be Dinner, is pure comedy. Three shipwrecked men are out of provisions and...well, not to give the plot away, the issue is survival.

The work of students, past and present, will be displayed in the lobby of the Theatre Centre, 54 Empire Street. Performances are at 8 p.m.

Mr. Rapsey invited students to "come out and see what we are doing."

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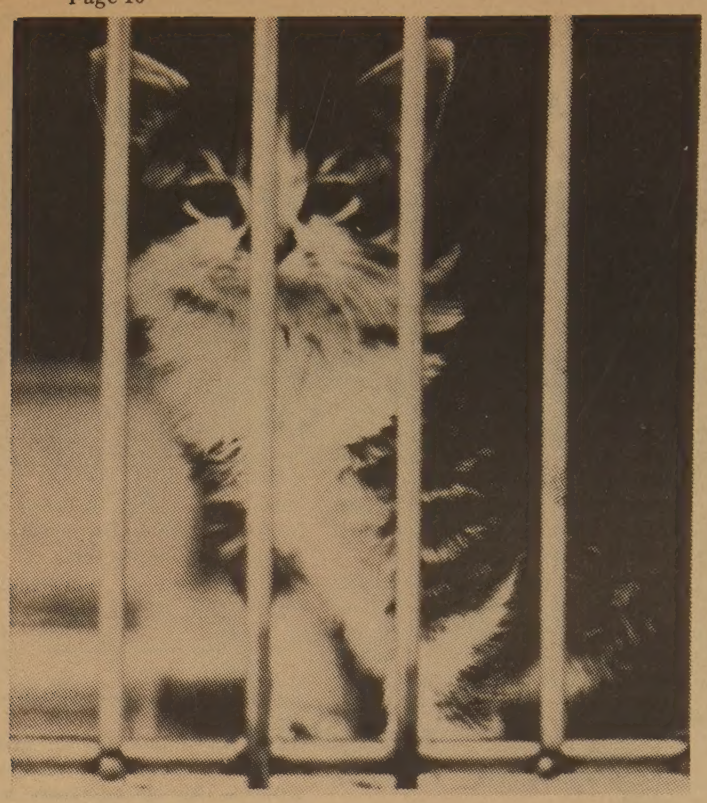

May I call my lawyer

This young kitten seems to have committed some major offence to deserve such harsh means of imprisonment. Actually, the steel bars separate him from the numerous other cats at the Welland Humane Society shelter. (Photo by Righton)

Cross-country team places well at meet

One of Niagara's newest teams, cross-country, placed very well at a cross-country invitational meet held at Centennial College, Scarborough, Oct. 11.

Mark Lowe, second-year electronic technician, placed fifth in a 4.1-mile course, out-running 55 other competitors.

Fred Bassi, cross-country coach and athletic assistant at Niagara College, said Mark was "only 100 yards behind the runner" who placed third.

He felt Niagara had "a good shot at third place" in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association championships to be held this Saturday at Mohawk College.

The cross-country team's other runner, Rick Detenbeck, third-year data processing, twisted his knee during the run but still placed 58th, coming in before two other runners.

Mr. Bassi said he doesn't know whether Rick will be able to run this Saturday at the championships, but said that "if he's in shape he can be in the top 20."

Mr. Bassi said the day of the meet was "very nice," with the temperature about 18 degrees Celsius. He said there had been a rain the day before and as a result the meet had been shortened to 4.1 miles from an original 4.35 miles.

He said he was very pleased with the over-all results of the invitational meet.

Originally the team had seven runners, but five dropped out for various reasons, mostly injuries.

The team was to have had a woman entered in the women's run at the invitational meet, but Candace Starshuk, the team's only woman runner, couldn't run because of an injury earlier in the week.

"I'm going to have a big meeting in March for anyone interested in running," he said. "Everybody will get a weight and running program."

Health info confidentiality major concern of Arnott

By PHYLLIS BARNATT

Janet Arnott, co-ordinator of the health records program, lays down the law for her students. If she has her way, she may also have an integral part in forming public legislation of a Code of Practice for all health records personnel in Canada.

As chairman of the Canadian Health Records Association (CHRA), Mrs. Arnott has recently been involved in drawing up a position paper on conduct regarding confidentiality of health information. At the present time no code exists which clearly and distinctly establishes guidelines for release, obtaining and storing of information.

Pressure for such legislation has come primarily from members of the association who feel patients' privacy is threatened now that computers are used for information storage and retrieval.

Although students receive some instruction on procedure, "I don't know what to warn students of nowadays," Mrs. Arnott said. "No textbooks exist."

"All I can do is stress the fact that as a student one must be aware it's your responsibility to protect the patient's privacy to the best of your ability using common sense and an awareness of responsibilty."

After 22 years in hospital work, Mrs. Arnott has a "built-in alarm system regarding insurance companies."

Methods used by some companies to obtain information are questionable, she said. "The system can't release the information but the individual needs it. So what do you do? It seems today everything is okay in love and war and for the company."

Mrs. Arnott placed insurance companies at the head of the list of transgressors with lawyers a close second. The information sought is often available through proper channels but it takes time and is often inconvenient since the patient's written authorization is needed. Expediency and money make those seeking the information go "anywhere but the brick wall (the patient)."

An additional factor in establishing guidelines is that the patient may not be "informed" as to the ramifications of particular information releases. Mrs. Arnott suggested the privacy of innocent third parties — family, friends and employers — must be protected.

A Code of Practice working paper drawn up in June, 1978, is designed to cover all persons involved in the handling, organization and distribution of health information. It applies to government departments and agencies, to microfilm, transport, disposing agencies, the janitorial and maintenance staffs in the working area, housekeeping, volunteers, doctors, lawyers and insurance companies. Both verbal and written transmission are included.

The association's annual education meeting, held Sept. 30 to Oct. 4, developed and issued guidelines for the interpretation of the code for each sector of health information, that is data processing, medical records, and dictatypists.

The guidelines are to be sent with the brief from the national and provincial associations to the Ontario Royal Commission on Confidentiality of Health Records. Mrs. Arnott expressed hope some of the code would be incorporated into legislation so that breaches of confidentiality would be punishable by law with specific penalties.

Support for such measures has come from the Canadian Mental Health Society. Instruction of new employees and volunteers in connection with the Addiction Research Centre and other psychiatric facilities are cited as the main areas of concern.

The difficulty in setting a code is "(health records personnel) have a stronger responsibility than the average person," Mrs. Arnott said.

"Their involvement may be either as a victim or a participant in the release of information. What, how much, who, and under what circumstances do you classify information, and how does one establish a penalty? All of these things must be considered."

Mrs. Arnott said the cross-linking of file information by computer is the gravest concern facing the association at the present time.

The CHRA has recommended there be no use of a universal identification number. Objections have been raised on the use of social insurance numbers for health information organizing.

No guarantees exist that only essential information will be released. The use of a SIN number allows tying the information from various government departments directly to a specific individual. The inclusion of health data in such a system opens a wide area of possible misuse.

Health data "should be independent, ethically controlled in a separate data bank system with one group of experts ensuring proper use," Mrs. Arnott said. It can't be the government. The network of agencies breaks confidentiality.

"We are not obstructive to progress but...control of personal privacy in a democracy should be maintained."

New student directory

The Niagara College Student Directory should be available within the next couple of weeks. It lists the address, phone number and program of each student.

The directory is the work of the 22 second year marketing students. Their salesmanship instructor, Larry Cote, and advertising instructor, Robert Young, oversee the operation.

Mr. Cote said each student is made an account representative and given a quota of directories to sell.

Last year's edition was about 100 pages and cost 50 cents a copy. Mr. Cote said he hopes although printing costs have risen considerably, the selling price can remain the same this year.

CARDS FOR SALE

Early Childhood Education (ECE) students will be selling UNICEF Christmas cards this year, starting this week.

Orders may be placed with the ECE students or by contacting the program, located in Brant Annex, at 735-2211 ext. 280.

Personal belongings covered

Inexpensive insurance for student tenants

By PAM RIGHTON

Fire, water damage, vandalism or accidental injuries in a home would leave anyone in a state of panic if not covered by insurance. It should be the least of a student's worries.

Lloyd Walters, insurance agent at the F.E. Coyne Agency, 164 Division St., Welland, said quite a few people renting do not have any form of insurance. The reason may be that homeowners, in compliance with a bank mortgage, must carry insurance. Tenants renting are under no obligation.

A student, living away from his permanent residence for eight months, can endorse his belongings on his parent's homeowners policy, Mr. Walters said. An alternative could be a separate tenant's package, as some companies do not recognize eight months as being temporarily removed, as outlined in a clause of the homeowner's policy.

A tenant's package, with an average premium of $40 to $50 per annum for $5,000 coverage, protects personal property at home and away against fire, lightning, explosions, hail, falling objects, riot, and damage from other vehicles or aircraft. The package also covers burglary and theft, smoke damage, water escape, liability hazards, and emergency living expenses if a fire forces the tenant into temporary quarters.

AUTOMATIC COVERAGE

An automatic $1,500 coverage for personal effects anywhere in the world is included in the package.

A personal articles floater can be added to the basic tenant's package, which would provide specific coverage on such articles as jewelery, cameras or furs, Mr. Walters said. This option would reduce the premiums by five per cent and would give the tenant all-risk coverage, which includes losing an article or repairs, he said.

Doug Palmer, insurance adjuster of Walsh, Wakeman and Palmer, Insurance Adjusters, 285 Riverside Dr., Welland, said students would be wise to protect themselves while living away. A list of belongings that were damaged or stolen is all that is needed to start the proceedings for a settlement, he said. The tenant reports his loss to his insurance agent, who then reports it to the adjuster, and a settlement is reached.

This is where "good faith" enters the picture, Mr. Walters said. The insurance company does not know what the tenant has in his residence when the policy is taken out and could claim something that he did not actually have. The investigators do a thorough job though, Mr. Walters said.

CAN BE EXPENSIVE

Automobile insurance can be expensive for a beginning driver, and it would be worthwhile dealing with the parents' insurance company, Mr. Walters said. Taking a driver's education course would substantially reduce premiums.

A number of people think that car insurance covers personal belongings stolen from the car. The insurance covers only the car parts, and collision and liability, if included in the policy, Mr. Walters said.

With the sophisticated burglary tools of today, a client may encounter problems collecting for a loss, Mr. Walters said. Some companies will only compensate a loss if there are apparent signs of forced entry.

A detailed list of all belongings put into a safety deposit box is a good idea, Mr. Walters said. Small, seemingly unimportant items are often forgotten when filing for a claim, and can never be replaced if damaged or stolen.

Insurance companies determine the amount of a settlement for stolen or damaged goods by considering the replacement value and the depreciation of the goods. The client usually receives the amount he originally paid for the goods, Mr. Walters said. It is for this reason that jewelery must be appraised and the model and serial numbers of cameras and such goods must be obtained before buying extra cover options, he said.

Grad jobs down 3% this year

Placement of Niagara graduates is down a little from last year at this time, according to Ken Anderson, college placement officer.

Eighty-three per cent of the 1978 graduates seeking work have been placed, a drop of three per cent from last year. Eighty-two students are still looking for jobs and 86 had other plans.

This total does not include the school of nursing, whose graduates must receive provincial certification before accepting jobs.

Figures up to Sept. 18 show by school the percentage with jobs of those seeking work: technology has placed 90.8 per cent, or 76 students; health sciences, 89.8% or 69 students; business, 79.7% or 148 students; and applied arts, 78.8% or 198 students.

Mr. Anderson feels community colleges have had a "good track record" over the years and expects a 90 per cent placement rate by the end of the year.

Mr. Anderson says his job is to assist students in finding their own jobs. Sometimes there is a problem with mobility — the job is there but the student won't move. Niagara College students are fortunate to have a staff that is interested and involved in placement, Mr. Anderson said.

Final placement statistics will be available in December.

Canada Fest to be month sooner in '79

The third annual Celebrate Canada Festival will be held in February this year, one month earlier than the previous two.

The festival will again be a three-day affair, running Thursday, Feb. 15, to Saturday, Feb. 17, at Niagara College.

Various themes will be attached to each day of the festival this year. The final day will be a multicultural day with ethnic groups performing throughout the day.

An Italian cabaret night has been proposed for the closing evening. This would include an Italian dinner served with wine and traditional dishes and entertainment would be provided by an Italian band.

Organizers hope the Feb. 15 Wintario Draw will be held at the college, in conjunction with the festival. This is being considered because proceeds from the draw are given to cultural and ethnic groups throughout the province.

The theatre arts program will present a one-act play during the festival but exactly when is not known for sure.

Other proposed theme days include a Generation Day and a day dealing with the problems of being Canadian, such as bureaucratic red tape involved with inventions and the reasons some professionals such as doctors leave Canada for the United States.

VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE

Practices for Niagara College's men's varsity volleyball team will commence on Oct. 12 at 4:45 p.m., and will continue at the same time each Tuesday and Thursday.

Handicapped student plans travel job, suggests changes

By PAUL WILSON

Ataxia-telangiectasia. Dean will even try to spell it out, but he'd rather be talking about other things — his plans for a career in the travel industry for instance, or his ideas on what should be done to give the handicapped a better deal.

Dean Atcheson, 19, a student in Niagara General College program, has cerebral palsy. His is an atactic form which affects the genes and chromosomes, hampering his balance and co-ordination. He says there are only about 20 known cases of his particular type of cerebral palsy in the world today.

So far, he's found Niagara College to be "pretty rigorous but I've coped...I'm in the general program to get used to the college. Next year I want to specialize in business."

Dean's father owns Two World Travel Service, an agency in St. Catharines. After he's developed his business skills, Dean wants to become fully involved in the operation. (With the astuteness of a true businessman, he indicated that mention of his father's firm would be quite in order.)

USES RECORDER

Because he has difficulty focusing, Dean is unable to read the blackboard or study from a textbook. And his co-ordination prevents him from using a pen. So his tape recorder is a very important tool and is used for all lectures. He says that for one course he may have up to 20 tapes.

Dean says he has a secretary and a chauffeur at the college. Kathy Murray, second year Educational Resource Technician program, is in the process of taping a business text for him. At test time, she helps out by writing down the answers that he dicates. And Frank Kar, first year Electronic Technician program, takes care of transportation, getting Dean to and from his St. Catharines home.

ELECTRIC CART

At school, Dean relies on Amigo to get him around. Amigo is a $1000 three-wheel cart that he's been using for the past three years. He says it's slimmer than an electric wheelchair and gets him through the tight spots. There's a charger at the college so that he can keep the battery powered up.

Although the 65-pound machine is easy to transport, with a detachable seat and steering column, Dean leaves it at the college to save wear and tear. "Maybe some day I'll even get a second one for moving around the house."

Dean talked about accessibility to public buildings for the handicapped person. He feels there's plenty of room for improvement. "The college is not too bad, although those uncovered walkways between the buildings must be terrible in the winter. Generally, public buildings have been getting better in the last six years or so. But some provide a great inconvenience with no elevators, or even ramps."

POOR DESIGN

He feels that ramps are often poorly designed, with the handicapped person not having enough power in his arms to climb them. "You can't make a proper ramp for a wheelchair without being in one yourself."

Dean is tackling the college challenge head-on. His politics teacher, Alexandra Fic, says he's "a very vocal student with a good many opinions. And he manages to find a humorous side to many issues."

Dean thinks positively. He'll be out there in no time, with enthusiasm, selling those 10-day pleasure packages to the destination of your choice.

Dean atcheson, a student in Niagara's General College program, has cerebral palsy. He doesn't have much difficulty getting around the college, but suggests that there could be more ramps. Kathy Murray helps out by taping textbooks and recording test answers. Frank Kar gets Dean to and from the college. (Photo by Wilson)

Morgan's market

By JUDY SUGA

Niagara College has its own farmer's market. Just pass by English instructor Ted Morgan's desk in room S210 and you may find raspberries for 75 cents a pint or brussels sprouts for $1.

Mr. Morgan said he got the idea of selling his neighbor's "most beautiful produce" a few years ago because the neighbor was having difficulty finding markets. He first tried bringing a bushel of cauliflowers, but they were all gone before he even reached his desk.

Mr. Morgan said he never knows what he will be selling the next day. "Every morning when I get up, I just look to see what my neighbor has put in the back of the car."

He likes to bring the produce because it helps his neighbor, William Van Vliet, and students and teachers alike are happy to buy the food fresh from the garden.

In return for his help, Mr. Van Vliet prunes Mr. Morgan's pear trees in the spring.

He is sure he will be bringing more raspberries and vegetables in the future, from his Effingham Road, Ridgeville, friend.

"He gave me a cauliflower for Thanksgiving as a reward. It was so big, when I took a picture of someone holding it in front of my wife's face, all I saw was a cauliflower head"

Mr. Morgan said a student in interior design was selling eggs on the second floor of the Simcoe building last week, so he decided to barter vegetables for eggs.

Mr. VanVliet decides on the prices of his crop.

"I just hope he doesn't go into pigs. It would be funny seeing one in the front seat of the car."

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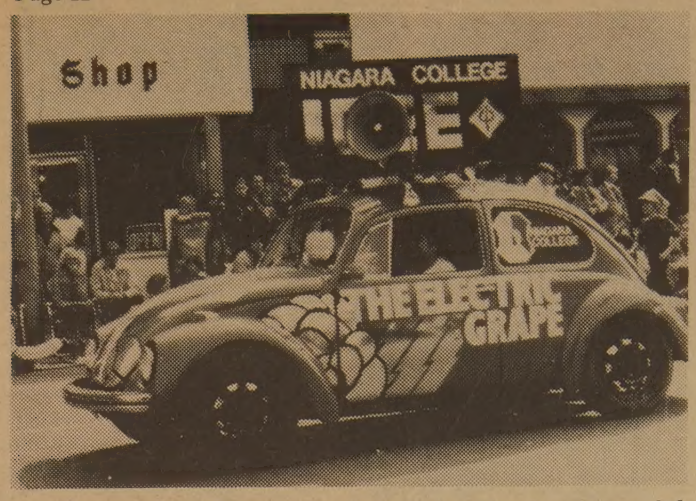

"The Electric Grape" is not a purple fruit, but the electric car of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers [IEEE]. Greg Ostryhon, student chairman of IEEE, is shown driving the car through the streets of St. Catharines during the Grape and Wine Festival parade. (Photo by Barnatt)

This particular 'grape' is not going to whine

The existence of an "electric grape" may seem absurd to some but those knowing better realize this grape has nothing to do with Welch's grape products or grapes with electronic currents.

"The Electric Grape" is the name given to the electric car of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Niagara College branch, entered as a parade float in the Grape and Wine Festival Sept. 30

Greg Ostryhon, student chairman of IEEE, drove the car with vice-chairman, Pacifico Cecchetti. A taped recording of the car's capabilities was played as they drove in the parade.

The car had been a bright orange color. For the event, a group of graphic arts students decorated it with the name The Electric Grape.

"The showing of the car was great, with coverage from Niagara College and Channel 11 television, in addition to CHOW and CJRN radio," Greg said.

NEED ID CARDS

All faculty, full and part-time, must have college identification cards to borrow materials from the Niagara College Resource Centre, S. J. Kees, chief librarian, said in a memo to all college deans.

Book readings set to music portray black woman's career

By PHYLLIS BARNATT

Historical readings and guitar music filled the St. Catharines Public Library Mills Memorial Room as Jim Bearden and Linda Jean Butler presented the Life and Times of Mary Shadd Cary to a sparse but attentive audience Oct. 3.

Excerpts from letters, speeches, newspapers articles and diaries were expertly woven throughout the performance to bring Mary Shadd Cary to life. She was the first black woman to found and edit a weekly newspaper, The Provincial Freedman, serving Windsor, Toronto, Chatham and Canada West during the 1850s.

Lively song and dance recounted the personalities in Mary Shadd's life who were awed by her sense of presence and physical beauty. Personification of characters by Jim Bearden's authentic drawl brought laughter from the audience as he dramatically portrayed the reactions of people Mary Shadd Cary met in her travels.

ACTIVE PEOPLE

Jim Bearden holds a Masters of Theatre degree from the University of Minnesota. He has a long history as an actor, writer, lyricist, and playwright. With Linda Jean Butler, an actress, lyricist, and composer, the team has, over the last eight years, collaborated on plays for television, radio, and the stage as well as scores, music, books and articles.

The choice of Mary Shadd Cary as a biography subject grew out of their involvement with a theatre group. Assigned to do research on some aspect of Canadian history, neither author knew of Mary Shadd Cary's existence but were intrigued by this "rather obscure person" and became "so excited" over the events she was involved with "in her place and time."

Unable to sell the idea for a CBC television film, Mr. Bearden and Miss Butler found a lack of background material on their subject. Consequently, "we decided the best idea was to write a book first and then do the movie. That was eight years ago. Had we known then what was involved I don't think we would have started such a long undertaking."

FOUNDED SCHOOLS

Research into Mary Shadd Cary's life uncovered the rebel in this young woman. Besides founding her newspaper, she was the first black woman educator and founder of several schools of which she was the principal. Travelling alone and under severe conditions, she lectured throughout the rural villages emphasizing the need to maintain freedom and equality of not just the races but the sexes as well.

An outspoken and early advocate of women's rights, Mary Shadd was a determined abolitionist who risked her life to "enlighten" the white people she lived among in Canada and the United States. Her interest in abolition, sparked by her father's involvement in the Underground Railway, brought public condemnation of her actions in establishing integrated schools throughout Canada West (now Ontario).

During the U. S. Civil War, Mary Shadd became the first female recruiting officer in the service of the American army. Her efforts helped to swell the ranks of the Northern forces particularly among the freed slaves living in the border areas.

At the age of 60, Mary Shadd received her law degree and began her practice as a lawyer. Active until her death in Washington D. C. at 69, Mary Shadd Cary, as portrayed in the theatre work, emerged as a vibrant, outspoken, determined woman who made great inroads in beginning the move to equality of the sexes and races.

Proceeds from the sales of The Life and Times of Mary Shadd Cary, by Jim Bearden and Linda Jean Butler, NC Press, 1977, are to be used to purchase a grave marker under the auspices of the Canadian Negro Women's Association.

SAC. Presents

Pub Night with Lisa Dal Bello
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Next SAC General Meeting will be held on Oct. 17 during the double lunch period in the Secord Room.
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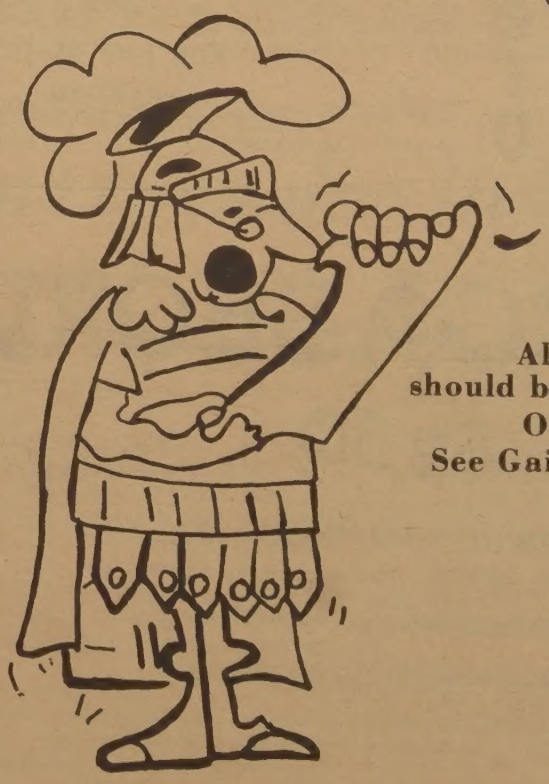


All club budgets should be submitted before October 20th.
See Gail in SAC office.

SAC welcomes any new ideas or suggestions from all students.

Please don't hesitate to drop in and talk to us.

BJRT aids unemployed, builds confidence, ability

By JUDY SUGA

The classroom runs the length of the building, and is sparsely furnished, with about 10 desks and chairs forming a rectangle in one end of the room. Ten students gather in two circles at the other end.

They switch easily from seriousness to joking as they consider two different situations. How can you get along better with parents? Communicate. Help around the house. Move away from home, if that's the answer.

Or, what if your three-ton moving van, loaded with one million brassieres, skids off the road and gets stuck in the mud? How would you use your cargo to get the truck out of the mud? Use the bras to signal for help. Tie them around the tire for traction. Wear them and someone will stop to help for sure.

The above was part of an exercise in "brainstorming" at the Basic Job Readiness Training course above the old Ross store on King Street in Welland. The purpose of the course is to aid unemployed individuals to "enter the world of employment and function socially and academically," Andy Newbery, chairman of academic division school of retraining, said.

The course was opened for the first time in Welland and St. Catharines in September, adding to three other programs in Crystal Beach, Niagara Falls, and Port Colborne.

Manpower refer

BJRT is sponsored by Canada Manpower and administered by the college's school of retraining. There are 10 male and female students at a time under one coach, with the course lasting about 16 weeks or according to the needs of the individual.

Welland coach Linda Gignac said students have been referred to the program under various agencies such as welfare, Manpower, and adult probation and parole service. They are paid a training allowance by Canada Manpower.

To be eligible, persons must be at least 17 years old and out of school for at least one year. Mrs. Gignac said she screened all students for their need and desire for the program, and she also has a waiting list for the course.

Mr. Newbery said most of the students either "haven't been able to get jobs, or couldn't last for whatever reason." The project should give them "the confidence that they can, in fact, work."

In the morning, academic upgrading is carried out. Students are tested when they enrol to see what level in mathematics and English they have reached, and they learn to achieve at least up to Grade 10. Mrs. Gignac said each individual can work at his or her own pace, without having to compete with someone else.

Those already having Grade 10 ability or more may be allowed to take the program to participate in the Life Skills section in the afternoon. Mr. Newberry said there have been students from Grade 5 level to those with university degrees.

He cited the example of one 55-year-old man who insisted nobody had ever been able to teach him mathematics, but within one hour of academic upgrading, "we couldn't get the man out of the books."

The program outline states most students have an "overall feeling of frustration and worthlessness." The Life Skills session help students realize the positive aspects of their personality and "realize a productive and effective life in society," Mr. Newbery said.

Sessions are informal, and all students participate with their coach in the five basic study areas of self, family, community, job and leisure. Each coach adopts the guidelines to suit the needs of his or her group, Mrs. Gignac explained.

"I'm not a teacher; I'm only there to help," she said. Mrs. Gignac has an honors degree from Waterloo in physical education, and she worked for four years as a mental health specialist in the maximum security psychiatric hospital in Penetang, where she was involved with social skills groups.

"I wanted to do something different, so I came here."

Self exploration

Her students start with getting to know themselves as individuals, looking at their values, alternatives, and setting goals for themselves, Mrs. Gignac said.

Each person writes down on a large sheet of paper what he considers to be his personality strengths, after which everyone adds to the list. The list, which usually ends up quite long, is then taped on the wall.

"It's sometimes hard for them to name their strengths, because they've been put down so much, it's easier to think of weaknesses," Mrs. Gignac said. "But, the results can be a real eye-opener for them."

Self exploration can be "very sensitive" for them, but they learn to express their feelings and they become like a family, she said.

The group also learns to relate to others and to solve problems with a group, as was done with the brainstorming. Other problems included how to give a successful party, what to do on a date without having to spend money, and how to make their classroom happier and more enjoyable.

Under the family section, discussions may include relationships, single parents, loneliness, and family planning, and the section on community may include police, courts and corrections, social change, and voting and citizen rights.

Job confidence

The major portion of the program is related to finding and keeping a job, and having confidence that one can do well at it, Mrs. Gignac said. Time is spent on writing resumes, videotaping mock interviews, and planning for a career.

Students then go out on job search, working for an employer for about two weeks, during which time they still receive the Canada Manpower training allowance. Employers compile an evaluation of the student, who can then recognize and work on any weaknessess, Mr. Newbery said.

Mrs. Gignac said the primary purpose of the jobs is to gain experience, but many times they result in permanent employment. She said students, after completing the course, may find work, or enrol in retraining or college programs.

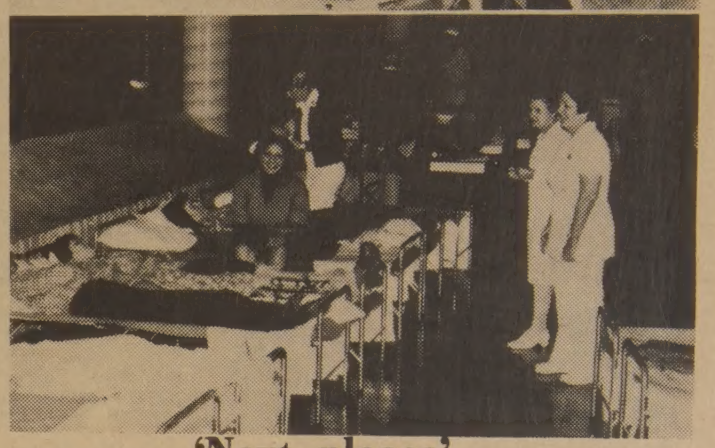
Mr. Newbery said there was 80 per cent placement of previous graduates, "thanks to the good staff, social agencies that lend close support to the course, and employers."

One afternoon is spent every other week learning crafts as part of the leisure section, during which time a special crafts instructor may visit the class. Students may introduce the rest of the class to projects they are interested in, such as liquid embroidery or string art, and Mrs. Gignac also has experience teaching crafts in Penetang.

Mrs. Gignac said the crafts would be good for many students who "don't know how to use their spare time effectively." Her major project is for the class to make an abstract wall hanging, with each person doing a portion of it.

Mrs. Gignac compared her class to a big family.

"We've already come to know each other well. It will be hard letting go in January, for them and for me."



'Next, please'

Halls around the library were jammed as students thronged to donate blood on Oct. 12. [Top] students engulf the registration desk while others [bottom] rest after giving their gift of life.

(Photos by Ventresca)

Faculty accept contract between OPSEU, Regents

Niagara College faculty voted 91 per cent in favor of a contract agreement reached between the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the Council of Regents on Oct. 7.

Craig McKay, union steward for college faculty, said a 75 per cent turnout at the college produced the overwhelming majority in favor of the contract.

Mr. McKay said the province-wide vote was 4,016 in favor of the contract while 1,039 voted against it. The provincial turnout was also about 75 per cent.

The two-year agreement includes a 5.48 per cent increase for each year, not including increments.

Annual increments are retroactive and will increase from $775 in 1977 to $862 in 1978.

Part-time teachers will receive a $1 per hour increase retroactive to Jan. 1.

Alcock to speak for Peace Week

Dr. Norman Alcock, director of the Canadian Peace Research Institute, will speak Friday, Oct. 27 in the Hamilton Room at 12:10 p.m.

Dr. Alcock, speaking in conjunction with Peace Week, Oct. 24-31, was the Canadian delegate to the United Nations special session on disarmament.

This is the second year that Niagara College has had a speaker in conjunction with Peace Week.

NIAGARA COLLEGE

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Coming Up:

Oct. 19 Classical European Cuisine #2
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Niagara - Your Community College
Harry Picken and Paul Firlotte talk about Niagara-on-the-Lake reconstruction. Marie Bramble discusses fashion; W. LeCoq, hypnotism. Home computers will also be assessed. Uta Haley will talk about college activities.

SPORTS

The Niagara College men's coxed four is shown in action at a rowing regatta at the Argonaut Rowing Club in Toronto. this crew, one of three entered by the college's new rowing club at the meet, finished third in their event behind the University of Toronto.

Toronto regatta success for NC

Niagara College's rowing club came home with two third place finishes and one second place from a rowing meet in Toronto.

The meet, held at the Argonaut Rowing Club, Toronto, on Oct. 7, was the first Niagara has ever competed in.

Ivar Noren, chairman of the division of applied management, said it was "a good day" for the club.

"They did quite well," Mr. Noren, who organized the club, said.

The men's junior varsity eight finished third in their event behind the University of Windsor and Trent University, Peterborough.

The men's open coxed four finished second behind the University of Toronto, with the University of Western Ontario finishing third.

The women's varsity eight finished third in their class behind McMaster University and Brock University.

Mr. Noren said the team will be competing in events the next three Saturdays, Oct. 14, 21 and 28.

22 'oarspersons'

Club organizer says rowing club novices have great potential

By ROBERT BRODIE

After encountering some early rough waters, Niagara's new rowing club appears to have smooth sailing ahead.

The rowing club had planned on entering a regatta at Peterborough on Sept. 30, but ran into some initial difficulties.

"We were just not ready to go (to Peterborough)," Ivar Noren, chairman of the division of applied management and club organizer said. "We had an abundance of rowers, but many couldn't spare the time needed.

"Rowing demands time. We usually practise five to six days a week, beginning at 6 a.m. This was more than many of them could spare in time."

Mr. Noren said the idea for college rowing came out of a Board of Governors meeting last spring.

"Eleanor Lancaster (now chairman of the board) expressed great interest in seeing the college start rowing," he said. "For years there have been attempts, but none have ever worked."

"I was also approached by the president of the South Niagara Rowing Club in Welland to get a program started. He said we should make an all-out effort to enlist rowers."

The club has 22 active "oarspersons" — 13 men and nine women. They are being coached by Tom Boyer of Fort Erie, the director of the South Niagara Rowing Club.

"We are very fortunate that the club has made all their equipment available to us and provided a coach," Mr. Noren said. "He has given so much of his time and done a tremendous job."

Michele Tetrault, a first-year general college student, is president of the club. "She's just a born enthusiast," Mr. Noren said.

Mr. Noren emphasized that the rowers are only organized as a club, not yet as a team.

WANT TO IMPROVE

"However, we can't permanently operate that way," he said. "We would like to upgrade our program to varsity level, which would give us greater flexibility and recognition financially."

More than half of the members are novices who have just learned the sport, while others have many years of experience from secondary school.

"We are fortunate in that many of the club members are in first year, and will hopefully return again next year," Mr. Noren said. "We hope to get established, and in the future hope to convince SAC (Student Administrative Council) that we should acquire new shells.

"We should easily be able to attract double the rowers next year, which would justify this rather significant one-time expense."

Mr. Noren said the athletic department has also helped the rowing club. "They have given us considerable assistance, particularly Peter Rylander (athletic director)."

"SAC has also been very accommodating in granting us an initial budget ($550) for uniforms and some travel. We hope that if we establish ourselves as a club, more money will be forthcoming."

Mr. Noren said the availability of a good practice course is vital to the club's efforts.

HAS BEST COURSE

"Welland happens to have, in the abandoned canal, perhaps the best facility in North America at Dain City. It is straight, deep, and not affected by wind or currents because of its high banks and layout. It is possible to practise in any weather."

The club entered a university regatta at the Argonaut Rowing Club in Toronto on Oct. 7. They entered crews in three events — men's eights, women's eights, and men's coxed fours.

"I am very impressed with the crews we have. Our novices have great potential. We are not going expecting to win, but we won't be left in the starting position either."

Mr. Noren said it is not too late for any interested students to join the club.

O.C.A.A. golf championships

Team	First Round	Second Round	Final Score
Mohawk	340	337	677
Fanshawe	352	326	678
Sheridan	335	352	687
Humber	361	336	697
Seneca	359	340	699
Durham	359	346	705
Northern (KL)	352	359	711
St. Lawrence (K)	361	353	714
Georgian	359	359	718
Niagara	369	352	721

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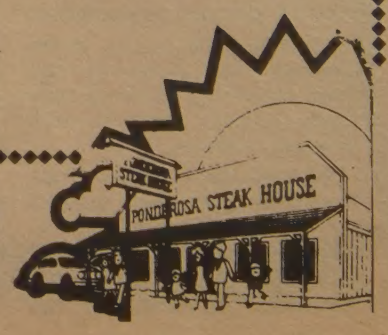
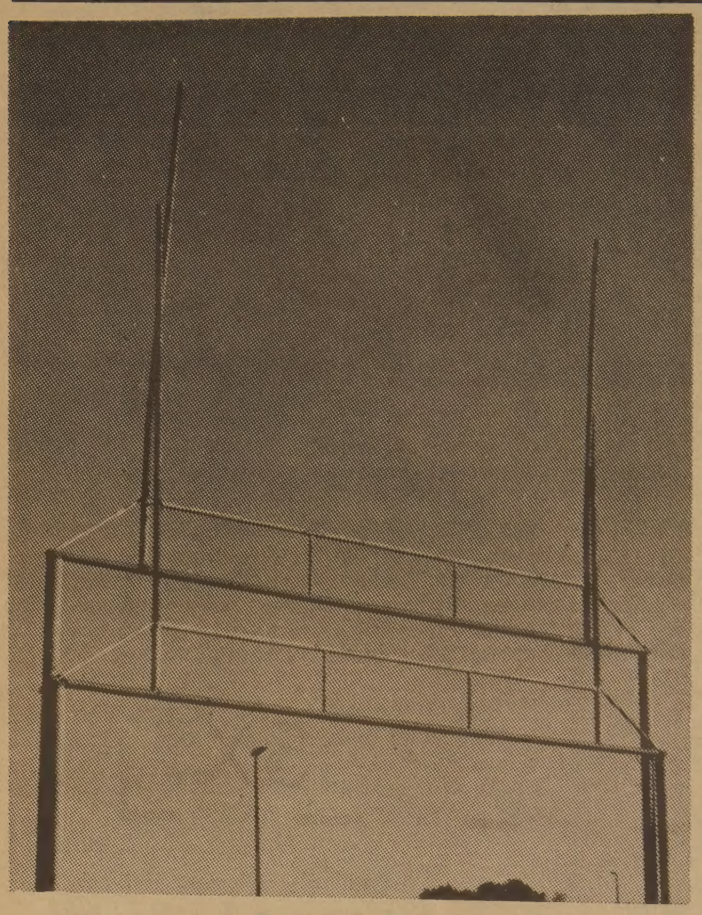


SPORTS

Golf / Coaching



The only football goalpost behind the Merritt building cannot be removed because it is set in cement. However, the field is not used any more. (Photo by Brodie)

Cemented crossbar creates curiosity

No, the rules of football haven't changed. There is a much more logical reason for that single, solitary goalpost standing behind the Merritt building.

"It used to be an old field," Peter Rylander, college athletic director, said. "We don't use it anymore since we got the other side (between the Mackenzie Building and Rice Road) fixed up.

"We weren't able to take it out because it is set in cement. However, we still might use the field again some day, but it's kind of hard to say."

New track not likely

Runners at Niagara College will have to be content with pounding the pavement of city streets at least for the near future.

Many students at the college had complained about this practice, but Peter Rylander, college athletic director, said the likelihood of Niagara building a track is not very good.

"Of course, there is always a possibility," he said. "However, it is kind of hard to justify it when the students leave school just when the track season begins (in May)."

Mr. Rylander said there are many other things the college could gain a greater benefit from.

"If we're going to spend money, we should build something all students can get use from," he said. "Give me four squash courts for a start."

Knights open hockey season this week

Niagara Knights open their 1978-79 hockey season against Mohawk College on Saturday Oct. 21. The game will be played at the Welland Arena on King Street.

Coaching course aims for uniformity

A coaching course, designed to "standardize coaching procedures" among professional and amateur coaches, starts tonight at Brock University.

The 40-hour course, entitled "Level 11 Theory," was brought about by the National Coaching Development Program and was founded through the ministry of culture and recreation.

The course attempts to have coaches from various backgrounds come together to discuss common coaching principles and to learn from each other.

It also attempts to apply many of the general academic concepts of physical education directly to coaching.

The course attempts to teach area coaches everything from biomechanics and motor learning, to sport psychology and training methods.

The course is not limited to professional athletic coaches, but is open to anyone involved with coaching or thinking they would like to get involved.

The program was started several years ago and is a Canada-wide organization, although known mainly by coaches and sports associations.

The course, taught by Lorne Adams, physical education instructor at Brock University, is one of three courses taught within the program, level 111 being the most advanced.

Sylvia Baago, co-ordinator for the development program, said the United States "doesn't have anything like this." She said a lot of the applicants are from New York state.

Graduates of the course receive a certificate indicating their completion. "The government eventually wants to certify all coaches, at least in level 1 theory," Ms Baago said.

A level 1 theory course will be started this winter. Two are already in progress in the peninsula — one taught in Welland and the other in Niagara Falls.

Anyone interested in taking the course can register tonight at 7 p.m. at Brock University. A $20 fee is required and applicants must be 16 years of age.

Curling team gains interest

Niagara College's first curling team is beginning to get off the ground.

Peter Rylander, college athletic director, said "about 10 or 12" staff members have expressed an interest in getting involved with the team.

"I also hope to land a few students soon."

Mr. Rylander said he will not start looking for team members until November when the curling season begins.

College golfers 10th; Mohawk takes title

By ROBERT BRODIE

Niagara College's golf team gave it their best but it wasn't enough as they finished 10th in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association golf championships held in Barrie, Ont.

Eighty golfers from 20 schools competed in the tournament held at the Horseshoe Valley Golf Club, with Mohawk College, Hamilton, emerging as the victor by the narrow margin of one stroke over Fanshawe, London.

College athletic director Peter Rylander, who coached the team, said Niagara's efforts were the best he could have asked for.

"I though they played their best," he said. "They didn't try to blow shots or just give up. We just didn't have as strong a team as in years past."

Niagara's team was led by top qualifier Greg Waters, who shot 90-81-177. He was followed by Rusty Silvestri, 91-86-177; Mark MacDonald 89-89-178; and Al Drzewiecki, 99-96-195.

The team stood 12th after the first day, but shot a much improved second round to move up two notches at the finish.

WEATHER FAVORABLE

Mr. Rylander said the weather was not really a factor in the outcome of the tournament.

"The weather was quite good for this time of the year. We had a 35-40 minute delay on the first day because of frost on the green. The second day it rained, but it was only a light drizzle and it was not windy.

"Most people shot better the second day, except Sheridan (Oakville), which had to shoot lower and didn't."

Sheridan had a five-stroke lead over Mohawk after the first day. However, Mohawk, spearheaded by Dave Storoschuk's 76, the lowest round of the tournament, rallied to win.

Fanshawe shot 326 the second day to sneak by into second place, while Sheridan had to settle for third, 10 strokes behind. Fanshawe's score was the lowest one-day team score of the tournament.

Jed Allick of Northern College, Kirkland Lake, won the individual championship, shooting 80-79-159. He finished one stroke ahead of Storoschuk and Randy Nielson of Seneca College, North York.

Mr. Rylander had nothing but praise for the tough, par 71 gold course. "It was an excellent course and was in excellent condition."

"You would need four guys who shot the ball down the centre of the fairway to have any success. With the woods on each side, there was really no margin for error."

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NEWS DIGEST

Weigh-ins extended

Weigh-ins for the Pounds for Canada contest are going slowly, with only 12 people entering the contest in the first week.

Contest officials have extended the deadline until the end of October, hoping more people will enter the contest, held in conjunction with this year's Celebrate Canada Festival.

Contestants losing 10 or more pounds will be eligible for the final draw, which is one-eighth of the total. The guess closest to the actual poundage lost will also win one-eighth, while the remaining three-quarters of the money goes to the festival.

Anyone not wishing to lose weight or to guess the amount lost can sponsor an entrant on a per-pound lost basis.

Christmas in August?

Exchanging gifts and celebrating Christmas isn't usually done in August, but at least 20 Niagara students did exactly that.

They were in New Brunswick this summer working at the Algonquin Hotel at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea. The "Christmas Party" is an annual event attended by most of the 120 people on staff at the hotel during the summer.

The students are from the hotel and restaurant and industry and tourism programs. Their jobs ranged from bus boys to accounting and most received $2.80 an hour.

They stayed in cottages or dorms at a cost of $1 per day and meals cost about $1 each.

Joanne Burnagiel, second-year hotel and restaurant student, said she thought most of the people working at Algonquin had a good time this summer.

Fall workshops held

Despite poor attendance, the first in a series of four fall study skills seminars held Oct. 10 was "a good session," according to Beatrice Ferguson, counselling assistant.

The seminars were offered in response to the "enthusiastic reaction" to summer workshops for new students held in August.

The seminars deal with effective study techniques, note-taking and outlining techniques, and "test-wiseness." Each session is about one period long and is held during the second half of the double lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A collection of study skills material is being made available on the main campus outside the Health Centre and on the satellite campuses. Self-study audio cassette tapes may be borrowed from the counselling offices.

Mrs. Ferguson said there have been a lot of inquiries about the seminars and she hopes attendance will improve.

The second session was Oct. 12; others will be held Oct. 17 and 19.

Haute cuisine at Brock

French menus, excellent cuisine and waiters in white jackets will be the order of the day this Thursday.

Hotel and restaurant students will prepare and serve their first lunch of the year. The lunch will be served in the Sheraton Brock hotel beginning at 12:15 p.m. sharp. Reservations must be made to ensure a table. The doors will open at 12 noon and no one will be allowed in after 12:15 p.m.

John Peacock, hotel and restaurant program co-ordinator, said he won't be able to accept walk-ins because he must know how many are coming to plan properly.

The hotel school opened Oct. 4 with more than 112 students registered for the fall term.

100% placement

Niagara College has a reason to be proud.

The construction engineering technology course achieves 100 per cent placement regularly and the companies hiring graduates are pleased with the product, the academic affairs committee reported at the Board of Governors meeting.

Due to union objections, the college is encountering some difficulty in placing students out of the construction superintendent development portion of the program as apprentices with larger companies, a member of the committee said.

Winners may share cup

The coveted Corpsuckle Cup, presented to the program with the best turn-out at last Thursday's blood donor clinic, might be shared by several programs this year because more than one class achieved 100 per cent attendance.

Winners were not announced at press time.

At 2:30 p.m., dental hygenists, first year human relations and second year health records had all students register.

Many programs needed one or two more to have perfect attendance and, with a line-up of 100, more programs would probably achieve 100 per cent, Eugene Maltais, political science instructor and Corpsuckle Cup organizer, said.

Male ego meets challenge from first year tech. girl

By MARY KOZIELLO

Gloria Koziello, 19, a female in an otherwise all-male class in first-year general technology, says girls should not doubt their capabilities in taking a predominantly male course.

"A female can do as well as a male, or even better, depending on the effort put in," she said.

Gloria, who plans to specialize in chemical engineering, has fully adjusted to her male cohorts. She has decided that "any woman with a math-oriented mind and basic skills in chemistry is capable of handling the course's requirements."

FEW DIFFICULTIES

She has encountered a few difficulties in engineering drawing because of a lack of background, but is giving it her best try.

Gloria said that for the most part her fellow classmates and teachers are understanding. She feels her classroom situation is a small sign that "men are developing a greater acceptance of women in what was once considered man's work."

"They treat me as an individual, *not* as one of the boys, which is not different from what I would have expected," Gloria said.

The only negative response she has encountered was from an instructor who carelessly termed her "you dumb broad," she said. Gloria has taken an exemption from that course.

A visible solution to glasses

By CHERYL GARD

Tired of wearing glasses and looking for an alternative that still allows you to see? Contact lenses may be the solution.

They're small, easy to insert and remove, and require only a few minutes each day to clean. In return you're relieved of the problems of fogged lenses, continually slipping glasses and red marks on the nose.

Hard contact lenses made of hard plastic are very tiny, about the size of the tip of the baby finger, and just cover the iris. They are only slightly flexible and for this reason require a longer adjustment period than soft contacts.

Soft contacts are a relatively new development. They are larger than hard contacts, about the size of the tip of the index finger, and are so pliable that they can be turned inside out. Soft contacts conform to the shape of the cornea, moving with the eye as it turns, and thus often providing better vision than glasses. Improved peripheral vision is especially noticeable to the new contact lens wearer.

Soft contacts require a little more time for cleaning but are much more comfortable to wear. In most cases there is no period of adjustment, and they can be worn virtually all day.

However, there is a difference in price. Hard contacts usually sell for about $175, while soft contacts cost about $225. Hard contacts can last up to 12 years but soft contacts usually have to be replaced every three years.

Gill Pine, of the Imperial Optical Company in Niagara Falls, said more and more people are starting to wear contacts. Children as young as eight wear them, and elderly people often wear contacts and use a pair of glasses for reading, instead of thick bifocals.

Chances of breaking or losing contact lenses are relatively small if proper care is taken. You'll "see" it's worth it!

Union

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suggestions on retirement and instead "solicit intelligent proposals that could lead to the introduction of new ideas and new blood."

Miss Robarts said the board should not arbitrarily adopt a retirement policy until negotiations between OPSEU and the board took place.

The union will be contacted and advised of the proposed policy so further discussions may take place, the board resolved.

May cut

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colleges made cutbacks in this year's budget. The schools reported increased class sizes, unemployed educators, supply shortages and program cuts due to financial restraint.

Niagara College may have to employ the same measures next year. Most of Niagara's salaried employees' contracts call for a six to eight per cent increase and Miss Robarts said she expects about a four per cent grant increase from the ministry of colleges and universities. Eighty per cent of Niagara's budget goes toward paying salaries, Miss Robarts said.

Niagara has not had to cut out any programs this year and any increased class sizes are due to increased enrolment. Miss Robarts said universities have had to make some budget cuts because of decreased enrolment. Niagara's enrolment increased by five per cent this fall.

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